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" MARY ELIZABETH DONALDSON,	" " "
" ELNORA EGGER,	" " "
" ELLENA FRANKS,	" " "
" LOUISE GILL,	" " "
" KISIE HARTLINE,	" " "
" HARRIET E. HILES,	" " "
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" MARY F. JOHNSTON,	" " "
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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Twenty-Eighth Annual
Meeting

HELD IN
FIRST CHURCH, LOS ANGELES, CAL.,
OCTOBER 6-13, 1909.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

THE Twenty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in the First Church, Los Angeles, Cal., Wednesday, October 6, 1909, at 9.30 o'clock.

After the singing of "Onward, Christian soldiers," the President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, of Detroit, Mich., called the Convention to order and introduced the Rev. George H. Bovard, D. D., President of the University of Southern California.

The Hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," was sung, and eleven verses of the fifteenth chapter of St. John were read by Dr. Bovard, followed by earnest prayer for divine guidance in the affairs of the Society and of the great nation represented.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken, of Cincinnati, Ohio, Recording Secretary, organized the Convention. The following ladies were nominated by Mrs. Aiken as Assistant Secretaries, and confirmed: Mrs. E. L. Albright, Delaware, Ohio; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. D. D. Thompson, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. Jennie C. Winston, Pacific Grove, Cal., and Mrs. Anna H. Woodcock, Elmwood, Neb.

The following Committees were constituted:

Courtesies.—Mrs. Henry Strong, Mrs. S. S. Holmes, Mrs. C. E. Locke, Mrs. J. W. Gillette, and Mrs. Belle Chandler.

Credentials and Enrollment.—Mrs. David Dailey, Jr., Mrs. J. H. Burnett, Mrs. Arthur J. Dean, Miss Nellie Foster, and Mrs. J. H. Hudson.

By-Laws.—Mrs. C. W. Bickley, Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, Mrs. Naomi Day, Mrs. John Taylor, and Mrs. D. M. Bailey.

Resolutions.—Mrs. E. M. Balsinger, Mrs. John Stevens, and Mrs. A. P. Hubbell.

Place of Meeting.—Mrs. S. A. Bullard, Mrs. Arthur J. Dean, Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, Mrs. M. D. Moors, and Mrs. Leslie Stevens.

Church Press.—Miss Martha Van Marter, Mrs. D. D. Thompson, Mrs. M. D. Moors, Mrs. Delos Fall, Mrs. C. L. Roach, Mrs. M. C. B. Mason, Mrs. F. D. Bovard, Mrs. A. D. Minard, Mrs. J. W. Bush, Mrs. W. B. Stout, Mrs. H. L. Hill, and Mrs. C. W. Bickley.

Secular Press.—Mrs. P. H. Bodkin.

Pulpit Supply.—Mrs. F. E. Brush.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, the program prepared by the Committee on Annual Meeting was adopted as the order of business.

On motion of Mrs. C. L. Roach, greetings signed by the officers of the Society were sent the *President Emeritus*, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk.

The report of the Bureau for Mission Supplies was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. E. Y. King, of Delaware, Ohio. The report showed an increase in fifty-four of the Conferences reporting, and the total amount expended for new supplies and transportation to be \$73,112.72, with 87,240 garments distributed to the families of the needy ministers, in addition to supplies furnished institutions under the care of the Society.

This report was accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. A. M. Whitson stated that the Pacific Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which had kindly given place to our Society in this Church, were now in session at Redlands, and she desired that the message, "We are workers together with Him," be sent them, and it was unanimously voted in the affirmative.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. George H. Thompson, of Cincinnati, Ohio, showed the total receipts of the Society for the year ending July 31, 1909, to be \$610,012.72, an increase upon that of any previous year.

The President called attention to the fact that this report showed an average giving of \$5 per member, and that the expenditures indicated that no other Society of the Church except the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was administered at so low a percentage of cost.

The report was accepted with a rising vote, and the doxology sung. (See Report.)

The report of the Auditing Committee, Mrs. William A. Goodman, Jr., Cincinnati, Ohio, Chairman, was read by Mrs. S. J. Turner and accepted. (See Report.)

A beautiful vocal solo—"Fear not ye, O Israel"—was sung by Mrs. Frank Bryson, of Los Angeles.

Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, asked that a telegram of sympathy be sent Mrs. Judge Bowdle, whose husband, re-

cently deceased, had always been a staunch friend of our Society. This request was granted.

In reporting for the Committee on Transportation, Mrs. O. P. McCarty, Chairman, made generous mention of the more than twenty-five years of service rendered by her predecessor, Mrs. William M. Ampt, and of her own joy in the realization of her dream of what it would be to cross the continent one hundred strong and receive the cordial welcome which awaited them at every point. It was also made evident that much of the comfort of the journey was due to the careful arrangements made by Mr. O. P. McCarty, who gave this service as a tribute of love to the Committee and incidentally to the women whom the Committee represented.

The report was accepted, with thanks to Mr. and Mrs. McCarty. (See Report.)

In a most interesting way the President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, reviewed the journey for the benefit of those who were not of the special party for the nearly two weeks' pilgrimage.

Mrs. Robinson prefaced her Annual Address by saying that, according to Roberts's Rules of Order, it must be restricted to the administrative functions of our work, and followed this with an address replete with valuable suggestions for the enlargement and continuance of the work of the Society.

On motion of Mrs. Albright, the President's address was ordered printed in full in the Annual Report. (See Address.)

Mrs. D. L. Williams presented the following resolution:

"Resolved, That a general Committee of Five be appointed to consider the several recommendations made in the President's address, and nominate to this body committees for the consideration of each of these recommendations."

Adopted.

The consecration and communion service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Charles Edward Locke, D. D., assisted by the pastors of the city churches.

Mrs. Aiken presented a telegram received from the Pacific Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in session at Redlands, reading, "Welcome to our sisters who are doing foreign work at home."

Miss Alice M. Guernsey called attention to the stock of literature for sale and free distribution, and to our convention paper, *Woman's Home Mission's Annual Meeting Daily*, Mrs. D. B. Street, Editor.

Adjournment followed until 2 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE second session of the Convention opened promptly at 2 o'clock, with the President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, in the chair.

Mrs. I. J. Reynolds, of Pasadena, Cal., graciously invited Dr. Fisher, an honored minister of the Southern California Conference, to take her place as leader of the devotional service. Dr. Fisher announced the Hymn, "O, could I speak the matchless worth," which was heartily sung, followed by an earnest prayer of thankfulness offered by Dr. Fisher.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright and adopted.

The report of General Publications was given by Miss Alice M. Guernsey, Editor and Business Manager, showing a demand for the Lesson Helps, calendars, Home Guard mite-boxes, and the children's book of handy craft.

Report accepted. (See Report.)

Miss Martha Van Marter, Editor of *Woman's Home Missions*, reported that we had reached the high mark of being in advance in subscriptions of any woman's publication, either home or foreign.

Miss Mary Belle Evans, Publisher of our papers, in her report gave a note of triumph in announcing 35,000 subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, largely the result of the "subscription shower" inaugurated a year ago.

Miss Van Marter, Editor of *Children's Home Missions*, in her special report for this paper made an earnest appeal for the circulation of this valuable monthly for the children.

Miss Evans followed with a clear financial statement of these publications. A careful study of each of these reports of our publications will greatly benefit any Auxiliary.

On motion, these reports were accepted. (See Reports.)

Miss Evans was given time to secure Conference pledges for increased subscriptions to *Children's Home Missions*. Miss Evans stated twenty Conferences now have 500 subscriptions; she urged an increase to 1,000 for these. The following Conferences pledged additional subscriptions: Baltimore, 200; California, 236; Troy, 100; Maine, 100; Des Moines, 250; Iowa, 250; Central Ohio, 250; Genesee, 200; Northwest Indiana, 100; Ohio, 200; Southern California, 500; Central Pennsylvania, 500; Central New York, 100; Michigan, 100; Detroit, 100; Cincinnati, 100; Upper Iowa, 100; Southwest Kansas, 100; Oklahoma, 100; North Indiana, 500; North Nebraska, 100; Puget Sound, 200; Northern Minnesota, 100; total, 4,486.

Miss Alice M. Guernsey reported for the Methodist Episcopal Section of the Council of Women for Home Missions, of which she is Secretary.

The report showed concentration of effort, and great harmony and wisdom in plans. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. H. L. Hill, General Organizer, spoke of Miss Helm's text-book, "From Darkness to Light." She called it sane and sensible. It is received by all denominations except the Mormons. In Blackfoot, Idaho, an interdenominational class numbering forty-five was formed, to be taught by one of the pastors. Here is a wise hint for our Auxiliaries.

Mrs. Hill referred to an article in July *McClure's*, which is suggestive as to how to study our books.

The report of the Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle, Mrs. Cotton Mather, Secretary, was listened to with intense pleasure. At its close Mrs. Mather invited to the platform a representative from the Pittsburg and Philadelphia Conferences. Mrs. E. M. Balsinger, of the Pittsburg Conference, bearing the Reading Circle banner, said Pittsburg came in sackcloth and ashes because they must relinquish the banner, but Philadelphia must guard it with greatest diligence, for they should see to it that its influence should be restored to Pittsburg Conference.

Mrs. W. L. Boswell, in receiving the banner and speaking for the Conference in the absence of the Secretary of this department, said: "Something seemed to be in the air of the Keystone State, as this banner goes from one part of the State to another; that this pleasure was brought to them through a well-organized Committee with a Secretary for each district."

Report accepted. (See Report.)

The President introduced to the Convention Mrs. Hester Griffith, State President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Griffith brought cordial greetings from this beneficent organization, embodying the thought that our work is so similar that we should clasp hands. Mrs. Griffith presented the President a beautiful bouquet of Shasta daisies, which in their marvelous whiteness spoke of the purity of their work.

The President received the flowers on behalf of the women of our Society, who are in full sympathy with the temperance reform.

Mrs. Mary B. Ingham, formerly active as Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work, was introduced by the President. Mrs. Ingham said she belonged to the days of Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Rust, Mrs. McCabe, and a host of others. Her heart was full of the past, but she was gratified with the present.

A box of beautiful flowers was received by the President. They were sent by Mrs. J. M. Huston, now of Pasadena, Cal., who was the donor to the Society of the Bridgeport (Ohio) Deaconess Home.

In receiving this fragrant token of the abiding thoughtfulness of this elect lady, Mrs. Robinson paid a tribute to the generosity and high ideals of Mrs. Huston in the gift of this Home to the Society.

The report of Mrs. J. E. Piatt, Secretary of the Bureau for Chinese Work on the Pacific Coast, thrilling in its interest, was supplemented by words from missionaries. On motion, report accepted. (See Report.)

The meeting was favored with a solo—"Far from my heavenly home"—finely rendered by Mrs. George Sloan.

The report of the Bureau for Japanese and Korean Work on the Pacific Coast and Hawaii was given by Mrs. C. B. Perkins, Secretary.

This report, with its stirring intelligence, commanded the closest attention.

On motion, the report was accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Nettie Mack, Honolulu, Superintendent of Susannah Wesley Home, was introduced and spoke of her work with Miss Lake before going to Honolulu. Mrs. Mack made a strong plea for help for her work, which she called marvelous.

Miss Anderson said she was thankful that the Society had made the Japanese work possible. Five hundred of these women in Los Angeles, and many of them have never heard of Christ, know nothing of lives transformed by His power.

Miss Anderson thanked the Society in advance for what she knew would be done for this work.

The President asked that all join in the prayer of Mizpah, "The Lord watch between me and thee when we are absent one from another." Adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

A CROWDED house greeted the Convention, assembled for the first evening's session. The scene, with the electric lights on the beautiful decorations of flowers, ferns, and flags, was not only beautiful, but inspiring.

Mrs. Robinson, the President, announced the hymn, "There's a wideness in God's mercy," which the immense congregation united heartily in singing.

Rev. A. W. Adkinson, D. D., of Riverside, Cal., read a portion of the twenty-fourth chapter of St. Luke, and also a few verses of the first chapter of Acts, the theme of both being, "Ye are witnesses of these things;" and afterward led in prayer.

After which two verses of the hymn, "Faith of our fathers," were sung.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter and adopted.

Mrs. Robinson in a few chosen words introduced Hon. George L. Alexander, Mayor of the city of Los Angeles, referring to him as the "Methodist Mayor," which elicited much applause from the "Methodist congregation" as the distinguished gentleman arose to speak.

Mr. Alexander greeted his audience as "Christian friends," and said Los Angeles was known as the "City of Conventions," but that it was never more honored than in entertaining this Society, and in entertaining, the people were expressing their esteem for thousands whom the Society

represented. He extended a most cordial welcome from the citizens of Los Angeles, and said he hoped our stay would be a benefit to the city and help to make it indeed a "City of Angels," as the name implies.

Mrs. Robinson, in introducing Rev. Charles Edward Locke, D. D., pastor of First Church, Los Angeles, said that she had met the Reverend gentleman in so many different cities of the United States that she was inclined to think of him as a peregrinator, and that by and by perhaps he would become a "permanent peregrinator," a Bishop in the Church, which remark called forth great applause as the popular minister arose to speak.

Dr. Locke said that *he* considered the Woman's Home Missionary Society a "peregrinator," for in his wanderings he had encountered it everywhere, in all cities, at Ellis Island, in the South, among the Indians, and he knew he should find representatives in Alaska, where he hoped to visit soon. Dr. Locke then in a most brilliant and happy manner welcomed the Society to the First Church in the "Paradise of America," to a Church of 2,300 members, whose prayer-meeting attendance is between five and six hundred, and whose Sunday-school will soon be the largest in the world. Because he knew what the Woman's Home Missionary Society was, what it had done, what it was doing, Dr. Locke said it was a genuine pleasure to welcome it to the homes and hearts of the members of First Church.

Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, Corresponding Secretary of the Southern California Conference, Woman's Home Missionary Society, then extended a welcome on behalf of the Conference which made "Missions hum," as she expressed it. She said that in coming across the continent the Society had not yet reached the geographical center of the United States, and then in a most happy and felicitous manner proceeded to describe and welcome us to the States of the Pacific Coast, from Washington and Oregon down to California, the "Golden State," which she said was like a "flag unfurled down the bosom of the world." Her climax was reached when she welcomed us to Los Angeles, "a City of Destiny," reaching from the Sierras to the sea, with 15,000 followers of Wesley, and to a Conference which astonished America, and to a Woman's Home Missionary Society which leads all others. She expressed the desire that our stay would be delightful and pleasant, and closed with a poem descriptive of the name of the Society in its abbreviated form—W. H. M. S.—"Woman's Help Means Something."

Mrs. C. W. Bickley, of Philadelphia, responded in a happy manner to the hearty welcome extended in behalf of city, Church, and Conference, and deemed it a great privilege to do this, expressing the hope that, as we had come to the "City of Angels," we might have a "foretaste of heaven."

The congregation then arose and sang two verses of "All hail the power of Jesus' name," after which Mrs. Robinson introduced Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, Corresponding Secretary, who in her usual effective manner gave her annual report. She said she had been called to her office

just ten years ago this month in the city of Pittsburg, and gave a brief retrospect of the work of the Society during her incumbency. The membership had grown from 53,600 to 126,600, the subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* from 16,450 to 35,320, and the number of deaconesses from about 300 to almost 700. She emphasized the fact that in ten years our membership has doubled, our annual receipts to General Fund have doubled, our special funds are nearly threefold, the voucher credits three and one-half as great, and the estimated value of property has more than doubled.

Mrs. Williams gave a number of suggestions as to methods of work, and, hastily reviewing the fields ready for harvest, urged that "every man of every nationality be given a chance." She closed with the exhortation, "The Master is here and calleth for thee," and urged as a response to this message, "and she arose quickly and went."

A collection was taken, the doxology sung, after which the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. F. D. Bovard, D. D., and the meeting adjourned until Thursday morning at 9.30 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING.

PURSUANT to adjournment, the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. George O. Robinson.

Mrs. Wilbur Adams, Corresponding Secretary of the Puget Sound Conference, conducted the devotional service. "O, for a thousand tongues to sing my Great Redeemer's praise!" was sung. Mrs. Adams read part of the tenth chapter of Romans, adding the message as of the Spirit calling her to plead for the stranger within our gates.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. D. D. Thompson and adopted.

The President, Mrs. Robinson, spoke of the time and study given by the Ways and Means Committee in preparing recommendations for appropriations we could reasonably expect the Auxiliaries to raise during the year.

Mrs. Woodruff, in behalf of the Bureau Secretaries, moved that the unconditional appropriations be approved without change.

Mrs. Woodward, in behalf of the Corresponding Secretaries, seconded the motion, and the vote in the affirmative testified the loyal co-operation of the Convention.

A request was received from the Bureau Secretaries that five minutes be allotted for an appeal where deficits in pledges were found, and that Mrs. Albright be timekeeper in the Finance Committee. On motion, granted.

On motion of Mrs. Potter, the Convention adjourned in favor of meeting of the Committee on Finance.

At the noon hour the Committee on Finance arose, and the order of exercises was entered upon, with the Third Vice-president, Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, in the chair.

Miss Cora Latham, Secretary of the Young Woman's Christian Association of Los Angeles, presented greetings and extended the courtesies of the Association Building to the Convention.

Mrs. D. L. Williams gave fitting response to these greetings.

"Sweet hour of prayer" was sung, and Mrs. Naomi Day, Corresponding Secretary of the Iowa Conference, led in earnest prayer.

Adjournment followed until 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Convention was called to order at 2 o'clock by Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, Third Vice-president.

The soul-inspiring hymn, "Faith of our fathers," was sung.

Mrs. E. R. Willis, Corresponding Secretary of the California Conference, read a few choice selections of Scripture, the faith being absolute faith in the Word and will of God. Mrs. Willis led in an earnest prayer for understanding, faithful hearts and for a holy boldness in exercising a living faith. This beautiful service closed with the hymn, "O Master, let me walk with Thee."

The minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Aiken and adopted.

Mrs. I. J. Reynolds, President of the Southern California Conference, stated that large numbers of people were constantly asking for the program of the Convention, only a part of the number ordered had been received, and felt that it was important that they should be in the hands of those in attendance, and asked that a Committee be appointed to arrange for the printing of a large number of inexpensive programs during the afternoon.

On motion, Mrs. Reynolds was elected Chairman of such a Committee, with power to call to her assistance all needed help.

On motion by Mrs. D. L. Williams, the meeting adjourned in favor of the Finance Committee.

Promptly at 4 o'clock the Committee arose and the Convention resumed business, with the President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, in the chair.

The President stated that some of the ladies thought that the Committee on Finance could finish its work in a very short time if the Convention was willing to defer the consideration of Election Plans until the morning meeting.

On motion by Mrs. C. L. Roach, the "Election Plans" were made the first order of business Friday morning.

On motion by Mrs. D. D. Thompson, the meeting again resolved itself into a Finance Committee.

The Committee adjourned at 4.40 and its report was accepted. (See Report.)

The meeting stood adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING.

THE President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, opened the session by introducing Rev. J. M. Ocheltree, who announced the hymn, "Workmen of God, O lose not heart," read that Home Missionary Bible Lesson, "I was sick, and ye visited Me," and followed with a prayer.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Winston and adopted.

Mrs. Robinson said that mingled with our coming to the West Coast for the Annual Meeting was a desire to know its needs as well as to tell ours, and then presented Mrs. J. A. Johnson, of Delta, Col., Secretary of the Bureau for Indian Work on the Pacific Coast. Mrs. Johnson, after a few well-chosen words, introduced Miss Lydia Rouls, Superintendent of Stickney Home, at Lynden, Wash., who stated that eighteen years ago our work was begun among the Nooksack Indians of Northwest Washington. At that time these Indians lived in a hut of one room, devoid of all that makes a home. After these eighteen years of labor for them they live in good houses furnished with beds, cook-stoves, sewing-machines, such things as give comfort to life, and are tilling their own lands. These Indian farmers are developing discriminating powers as to culture of vegetables and fruits and are beginning to understand the benefits in rotation of crops and their market values.

Educationally these people are advancing; eighteen years ago they manifested but small interest in schools, now they desire an education for their children. They have advanced socially; eighteen years ago they knew no better than to enter a house without rapping, and would go from room to room till some one was found; now they do not go anywhere unannounced.

They have also advanced religiously; eighteen years ago they had no Sabbath-school, now they have faithful Christian women that are themselves able to lead their sisters to Christ. There are three classes among these Indians: First, those of the old fathers and mothers, who are not yet fully awake to their own needs; second, those who are anxious for the service; and third, those who are willing to be taught and still untrained. The day has already been reached when the past work is counting in present-day results.

Mrs. Robinson highly commended the well-told story as it was given by Miss Rouls, that had so riveted the attention of the audience, and then announced a tenor solo by Mrs. Spencer Robinson.

It was an appreciative audience that listened to the beautifully rendered old song, "Cast thy bread upon the waters."

The Rev. J. M. Ocheltree, Missionary to the Yuma Indians, then spoke on "The Yumas." No such peoples to work among, and no such rapid progress as has been shown among the Northern Indians could he bring from the Yumas, declared the speaker; rather he should tell of a long-neglected people, such as are pictured by Helen Hunt Jackson in her "Century of Dishonor." These are the tribes that crowd the stations as tourists pass from Southern California into Arizona. After three years of holding by the National Indian Association it was desired that our general Methodism should take it. No open way could then be seen. An appeal was next made to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and it was accepted by them. "Two years and eight months I have given in service there," said the Rev. Ocheltree, "and have accounted it no sacrifice, but a high privilege." The young men in the tribe go away to Government schools, and though they return from these, where life has had its pleasantness, back to the huts of their people, yet they do not return to former habits of life, but take honest employment and bravely seek to keep their heads above the waters.

These lands, when irrigation shall be turned on, will be worth \$200 per acre. Then this Mission will no longer be a burden, for our people will own these lands. As these poor people die rapidly, some have said, "Let them die." But we are giving them the gospel, and they are gathering into our Churches. Educate and save them, for this is most hopeful work.

A full-blood Yuma Indian was introduced by the Rev. Ocheltree as the faithful interpreter for his congregation and one having influence with his tribe. He then interpreted into his own language the loved verse of all peoples and tongues, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Mrs. Robinson introduced Mrs. Anna Kent, of East Orange, N. J., Secretary of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish and English), and her Associate Secretary, Mrs. A. M. Whitson, of Los Angeles, who is also Secretary for Spanish Work on the Pacific Coast. "It is useless to plan work unless we have workers," said Mrs. Kent, "and we are glad we have with us some of those that have been endorsed by the Woman's Home Missionary Society." Mrs. Whitson stated that we have only the Frances DePauw School for Spanish girls now on the Coast. But it is a fine school with a fine Superintendent, who keeps these girls on \$5 per month. But other contingent expenses make it necessary to ask for the scholarships of \$60.

Four bright young girls from Frances DePauw Industrial School, of

Los Angeles, were then introduced and sang that old song, "Let the Savior in," in their own language so beautifully that the large audience gave them a hearty encore, and they returned and sang "Let not your heart be troubled."

Mrs. L. G. Harris, Superintendent of the school at Tucson, Arizona, was then introduced. Mrs. Harris said she felt she could close her eyes and believe herself back among her own girls, so like them had been the voices she had just heard. She said that when she had said "yes" three years ago to Mrs. Kent in Lincoln, Neb., she had not realized all that it would mean to enter this work. She finds one of the hard things to daily see the great needs and immensity of the work with so limited a capacity for meeting them. Twenty-seven girls have been in the school during the year now closed, while twenty-five remained through the entire time.

It was not easy to bake bread for such a family on a number 8 range, but the matron is managing nicely. The building is old; but since it does not rain they can still occupy it, as it is easier than the constant removal of beds, etc. The tents are worn, but holding out well. Mrs. Harris then gave a word picture of a Methodist prayer-meeting that she sees twice a week. Dark-faced audience within the room lighted by a tallow candle in a cup of beans for support; babes asleep on the floor; dogs barking without. But the gospel songs are sweet, and the Scripture ever precious, and thus they will work till walls of the new building are reared. After interesting references to some of her pupils, Mrs. Harris introduced Margareta, daughter of our first convert, who sweetly sang "He's my Friend," and Ophelia, a daughter of a minister, who told of her own history and conversion and sang "Plant my feet on higher ground."

Miss Jennie Mathias, Superintendent of Frances DePauw Industrial School, Los Angeles, was next introduced, to answer the question, "Who are our neighbors?" She recounted the ever human story as found in the gospel of the man who fell among thieves on the Jericho road. She said that the root meaning of compassion is "suffering with Him." These people were the lords of the soil, and we the immigrants. But we have served them as the robbers did the one of old; wounded and sore they lie. It is now our part to bring them healing. Mortality is great among them, and illiteracy stands eighty-five per cent. Their teachings in the past have not lifted their morals. There are seventy-five thousand in Southern California, and are coming at the rate of one hundred per week. Not one school for boys, and only one man laboring among all these people. About eleven years ago our work began among them, and nine years ago was begun the Frances DePauw School, which now owns from \$18,000 to \$20,000 worth of property.

Mrs. Robinson then most pleasantly introduced the Rev. Ira G. Cartwright, D.D., Superintendent of New Mexico and Arizona Spanish Missions for our Methodism.

Dr. Cartwright announced himself as the King's ambassador through the song, "The King's messenger." He recounted bits of personal history

of great interest, how he was saved from Catholicism to Methodism, and in this history interwove his own methods of uplifting and saving the Mexicans. He need not have told us that abuse of another faith is never his method, for the sweetness of sympathy that breathed itself into his recital of some whose lives he has touched and saved revealed a spirit that could have no alloy or prejudice or harshness. He said "it is the business of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to lift burdens from Old Mexico, and it is the business of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to lift the burdens from the Mexicans in the United States." Dr. Cartwright paid a high tribute to the work already done by the Woman's Home Missionary Society through our three schools for Mexicans, but pleaded for the fourth, at El Paso. He touched upon the medical work his wife is able to do for these people, then asked that we redouble our efforts, "not because these people are peculiar, but because these people need Christ."

Pledges for scholarships were taken at this time by Miss Alice M. Guernsey for the girls of the Frances DePauw School, resulting as follows:

Home Guards, Central Pennsylvania, \$5; Queen Esther Circle, Central Church, Detroit, in the name of Miss Ethel Gates, \$5; St. Louis Conference, \$5; California Conference, \$5; Queen Esther Circle, Lynden, Wash., \$5; Vernon Ave., Los Angeles, \$5; Pittsburg Conference, \$10; Delta (Col.) Auxiliary, \$5; Fort Collins (Col.) Queen Esther Circle, \$5; A Friend, of Pacific Grove, Cal., \$5; Central Church (Portland) Queen Esther Circle, \$5; Petoskey (Mich.) Queen Esther Circle, \$5; Pacific Grove, Cal., \$5.

Miss Lydia Roulis was requested to conduct the devotions at the next session, in the absence of Mrs. Stanley Webster, of San Francisco.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. J. M. Ocheltree, followed by adjournment until Friday morning at 9.30 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING.

THE session opened at the appointed hour, with the President, Mrs. Robinson, in the chair.

The theme of the devotional service, conducted by Miss Lydia Roulis, of Stickney Home, was the sacrificial death of Christ as the open way to the light and liberty of the gospel and the full assurance of faith. The sacrifice was commemorated in the singing of the hymn:

"There is a fountain filled with blood
 Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
 And sinners plunged beneath that flood
 Lose all their guilty stains."

The open way was shown in the Scripture reading, "He was bruised for our transgressions, and by His stripes we are healed," and the full assurance of faith in the hymn:

"My God is reconciled,
His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child,
I can no longer fear.
With confidence I now draw nigh
And Father, Abba, Father, cry."

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Woodcock and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Plan of Election was presented by Mrs. Hedley R. Woodward, Chairman, and extended explanation made.

Mrs. Robinson stated that the Board of Trustees at the July meeting, feeling that it might be of advantage to keep in line with the plan of election used in the General Conference of our Church, had appointed Mrs. D. D. Thompson as a Special Committee to secure from Dr. Hingley, Secretary of the General Conference, an accurate statement of this plan. This was presented by Mrs. Thompson, with explanation of several points by Mrs. Robinson. (See Plans.)

An animated discussion of both plans submitted was engaged in by Ladies Winston, Balsinger, Boswell, Albright, Roach, Hudson, Potter, and D. D. Thompson, after which Mrs. Onstott offered the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

"Resolved, That we continue our former plan of election, modified by such phases of the General Conference plan of election as are suited to the requirements of our Society."

Mrs. Bickley desired an expression of thanks for the prolonged and careful work of the Committee of which Mrs. Woodward had been Chairman, and a motion to that effect was adopted by a rising vote.

The solo "There were ninety and nine" was most beautifully sung by Mrs. Fannie Marple.

Mrs. G. B. Smythe, President of the Pacific Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, was introduced, and said that, coming from a three days' session of that body, she had arrived just in time for our service of last evening and found in that meeting that the spirit was the same and the work the same, whether we called it "home or foreign." She brought greeting to us as women of Methodism striving to obey the command of the Master to "Go, teach all nations."

Mrs. S. F. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the Pacific Branch, said that so long as the authorities of the Church declared Porto Rico and Hawaii and far-away Alaska and New Mexico to be *home* mission fields, and the Philippines and Panama and Old Mexico to be *foreign* fields, we might be a little mixed, but our work must be recognized by the Master as one work, and we are a battalion. She related that our Secretary for

Alaska had received the lowest shipping rates to that country from a man who had been converted in a mission in Bombay, India, and suggested that it might be profitable to establish missions abroad, so that converts might return to do home work.

A most cordial letter of greeting and congratulation from Mrs. William F. McDowell, President of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, was read by Miss Johnson, in which Mrs. McDowell said:

"Please be the bearer of a message to the host of women assembled in Los Angeles who are doing such magnificent work in and for our dear Home Land.

"Tell them with what interest we have followed their triumphal march across the country, how we rejoice in their success, and how we pray for our Father's best and richest blessings to rest on all they are trying to accomplish in His name.

"Tell them how we want to go hand in hand with them in a united effort to claim and reclaim all women everywhere for our Lord Jesus Christ.

"For them and for ourselves we make the prayer of our Savior to His Father, 'That they may be one even as we are one.'"

The President was commissioned to respond to this letter.

Rev. Matt Hughes, D. D., being introduced, said in his happy manner that it was not for a mere man to take the time of the Convention, that he well understood the relations of men and women in authority, that the request for advice meant merely an O. K. to plans already made, and that until some revolution enabled them to throw off the yoke they remained only servants to obey commands.

Dr. Hughes was announced as the speaker for the Young People's meeting Sunday afternoon.

The hour having arrived for the Conference Corresponding Secretaries' meeting, Mrs. Woodruff, leader, opened the service with a comprehensive address upon the duties and difficulties pertaining to the office of Conference Corresponding Secretary, showing that the fulfillment of these obligations meant devoted service done in the hope that it would prove acceptable to the Master, whose call they follow.

Mrs. Charles F. Thirkield, speaking on the matter of securing reports from Department Secretaries, thought it necessary to secure officers who would accept these offices, however small, as received from the Master as well as the Society, and deem themselves responsible to Him.

Mrs. Slack considered the relations of Department Secretaries to the Conference Secretary as important as those of the Conference Secretary to the General Corresponding Secretary. She thought the blanks now used for the Conference reports unsatisfactory, and would welcome the revised blanks now being prepared.

At the noon-hour a Bible-reading on "Prayer" was given by Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors, followed by choice passages and incidents proving that "the faithful, fervent prayer of the righteous man availeth much."

She urged that we should pray until the Lord shall say to us, "Great is thy faith, O woman! Be it unto thee even as thou wilt."

In resuming the discussion of successful Conference work and the special question as to how we shall be able to double our membership, Mrs. Elder said there are many devices, but they all hinge on personal endeavor, and that based on an entire consecration; that, while Methodism was emphasizing tithing as a Scriptural method for raising revenues for the use of the Church, she still believed the social meeting a blessing, and the revenues derived from these a worthy addition.

In answer to the question as to whether a pastor has a right to prohibit the organization of a Woman's Home Missionary Society in his Church, Mrs. Willis denied the right on the ground that our Society is recognized by the General Conference as a department of the general Church. In her judgment, she thought, it would be well if every woman in the Church could be regarded a member of the women's societies, because of the benefit to the woman herself and because of the effect upon the Church of the broadening vision coming to these women.

Mrs. Daniel Smith told in an entertaining way how one woman secured five hundred subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*. In closing, Mrs. Robinson called attention to the fact that our whole superstructure rests upon the work of the Conferences.

The Rev. Dr. Bartlett, of the Congregational Church, was introduced and said he was glad to welcome us to a city in the making, and which would need the help and interest of our Society when the completion of the Panama Canal should bring multitudes of people here from the ends of the world.

Adjournment followed until 2 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

THE meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Robinson, with Mrs. L. J. Sims, President of the San Francisco Deaconess Board, in charge of the devotions. Mrs. Robinson invited all deaconesses and missionaries in attendance upon the Convention to seats upon the platform, as well as the Secretaries of the Deaconess Bureaus.

Mrs. Sims asked that two verses of the hymn, "In the cross of Christ I glory," be sung, after which choice selections were read by Mrs. Sims from the first chapter of James.

Mrs. L. P. Williams, active in our Society for all its years, offered an earnest prayer full of the thought that the inspiration of this meeting might reach all the women of Methodism.

Mrs. Robinson called pleasant attention to the fact that Mrs. Williams was formerly the capable Secretary of our Oriental Work on this coast, as well as being graciously helpful in many other ways.

The General Officers of the Society, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Thompson, and Mrs. Minard, Chairman of the Training-school Committee, were invited to the platform by the President.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright and adopted.

Mrs. Robinson, in introducing the program of the afternoon, stated that our deaconess force numbered 400, while the value of the property amounted to over \$1,000,000. She gave a short résumé of her first visit to the Pacific Coast, nineteen years ago, in the interest of the deaconess work, and paid a tribute of praise to those who had carried to such gratifying results not only the work of this department, but every other interest of our Society. Mrs. Robinson introduced Miss Bancroft, Superintendent of the Deaconess Department, who, upon assuming charge of the program, said: "Wherever there is much sunshine there are deep shadows; but the sunshine in the deaconess work of the year has fallen at such an angle as to make the shadows very small. The year has been a glorious one."

Mrs. W. L. Boswell, Secretary of the Eastern Deaconess Bureau, Mrs. J. F. Mund, Secretary of the Central Deaconess Bureau, and Mrs. John W. Bush, Secretary of the Western Deaconess Bureau, were each introduced by Miss Bancroft and heard with great interest through their reports. The keynote of each seemed to be the great progress shown in the larger development of the work under the care of the deaconesses; not only those in Homes, but those in stations as well.

Miss Bancroft referred to the time, five years ago, when the attention of the Board of Trustees was effectually called to the education of colored young women for deaconess work. The Rev. W. J. Riley came into the Board meeting at Cincinnati with some of his students, whom he presented as deaconesses. They were clad in an unknown garb, and expressed much delight when they were advised to adopt the prescribed deaconess costume. The Bureau for "Supervision of Colored Deaconesses" was created. Mrs. I. D. Jones acted as Secretary for two years, when Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson followed with two years of service. After the resignation of Mrs. Tomkinson it was Miss Bancroft's hope to find one of their own people, whose sympathy and ability would reach and influence many more young women.

Miss Bancroft introduced Mrs. M. C. B. Mason, the efficient Secretary of this Bureau. Mrs. Mason said they had eight stationed deaconesses. The work was encouraging, for these women were achieving. They desire a training-school. A cottage at Walden College, Nashville, Tenn., can be secured for this purpose, if it can be equipped. They have three deaconesses in Africa.

Miss Winona A. Mason added great interest and pleasure to the occasion by rendering the fine solo, "Gethsemane."

The President introduced Mrs. Matt S. Hughes, of Pasadena, who said it was her privilege to welcome this organization in convention at Minneapolis. Years after she was glad to meet the same body in Kansas

City, and now no less glad to see the representatives of this great organization here in beautiful Los Angeles.

Mrs. Charles Edward Locke, the wife of the pastor of the Church in which we assemble, was introduced with the promise by the President of a speech. In reply Mrs. Locke said the worthy President did not know her as well as she thought. She was no speech-maker, but she was happy now to meet this body for the first time, and sincerely hoped it would not be the last.

Mrs. John Stevens, Secretary of the Pacific Coast Bureau, was presented by Miss Bancroft. Mrs. Stevens spoke of her work in general, which was followed by a fuller representation of different phases of the work of the deaconess, together with practical hints as to its prosecution.

"The Essential Qualifications of a Deaconess: Grit, Grace, and Gumption," were presented by Mrs. Helen E. Lincoln, San Francisco, Cal.

"The Deaconess as an Evangelist," by Miss Nellie Sanborn, Los Angeles Deaconess Home.

"Industrial Work," by Miss Mabel Lamb, Berkeley, Cal.

"Experiences of a Travelers' Aid in the Far West," by Miss Jessie Pratt, San Francisco.

"The Work of a Parish Deaconess," by Miss Mettie Chaffee, Los Angeles.

"A Nurse Deaconess," by Miss Emma Higgins, Los Angeles.

"Relief Work," by Miss Kathleen Weybrew, San Francisco.

Each of these papers was filled with deeds of high endeavor and noble achievement. The Christlike ministrations portrayed were so vivid that one could only pray to be able to "go and do likewise." It was shown that the work of every deaconess is a personal work—a wayside touch. They do not seek members or the crowds. They remember that Christ "must needs go through Samaria" to meet the woman at the well; and at another time, in a dimly-lighted room, He said to one soul, "Ye must be born again."

Mrs. Stevens asked that the audience rise and join in singing, "Onward, Christian soldier." The response to this request was hearty.

Mrs. Stevens introduced Miss Helen R. Peck, deaconess, Sacramento, Cal., who spoke with understanding of "work among the children." Miss Peck said that, whatever field the deaconess entered, there she would find her greatest work among the children. Therefore she must study this problem; she must see a noble future in every child; unconscious influence must not be forgotten. Mrs. Peck especially emphasized special attention toward the members of the Intermediate League.

To the pleasure of the large and appreciative audience Mrs. Moors, of Detroit Deaconess Home, unexpectedly and graciously stepped forward, attracting the attention of Miss Bancroft. She said, holding in her hand a beautiful bouquet of roses: "A little company bids me bring to you these roses with a message from them. Can you imagine who compose this little company? Your daughters of our deaconess family. These

flowers represent brightness and beauty and wealth. When these petals shall fall to the earth their fragrance will remain. And so in all the years to come—which, we pray, may be many for you—the fragrance of your life and noble efforts in the deaconess work will abide." As Miss Bancroft turned toward the deaconesses she met the happy faces of twenty-five of "her daughters" and the waving of as many handkerchiefs in the beautiful Chautauqua salute.

With emotion Miss Bancroft said: "Dear daughters, to me each one of these roses spells l-o-v-e—love. I am giving to you all of my best efforts on that basis only, and I thank you for your appreciation and affection."

Each of the twenty-five deaconesses was presented by Miss Bancroft, and invited by the President, Mrs. Robinson, to speak a word of her work. These introductions brought forward, in a few words from each, every possible line of endeavor known to this efficient and indispensable arm of power in our Society.

The meeting adjourned until 7.30 P. M. The benediction was pronounced by Dr. Willis.

FRIDAY EVENING.

AT 7.30 o'clock Mrs. Robinson introduced Dr. B. C. Cory, Financial Agent of the new Methodist Hospital of Los Angeles, who conducted the devotional exercises. After singing the hymn, "Rescue the perishing," a portion of the fourth chapter of John was read, and prayer was offered.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter and adopted.

Mrs. D. A. Minard, Chairman of the Committee on National Training-schools, was introduced by the President, and said "the Woman's Home Missionary Society has no more important work before it to-day than the maintenance of the training-schools."

She said that during the closing years of the last century the Society had seen the need of trained service, and schools had been founded for this purpose and developed until now we had three national training-schools, with fine equipment for the training of missionaries and deaconesses. The best instructors obtainable are secured for Bible, Domestic Science, and Kindergarten, and this year two new courses are to be added, those of Scientific Temperance and Woman's Home Missionary Organization.

Mrs. Minard paid tribute to Rev. W. H. Wilder, D. D., President of the training-school at Washington, and to Mr. J. S. McConnell in preparing monthly reports, and recommended that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. McConnell as Auditor.

She hastily reviewed the work done at the Kansas City and San Francisco schools, and called attention to the establishment of permanent scholarships on the payment of \$2,500, such scholarships to bear the name of the donor, who may designate the beneficiary; also the establishment of an endowment for beds at Sibley Hospital on the payment of \$1,000, the bed to bear the name the donor may select. There are now in training about 250 students, the largest number ever enrolled.

Mrs. Minard made an appeal to the Conference Managers to secure suitable young women as students, and recommended that only those in good health and having a high-school education be considered. She reported four Conference training-schools, and made an appeal for supplies for the schools.

In closing, Mrs. Minard spoke of the long service rendered by Mrs. Robinson as former Chairman of the Committee, and, turning to our President, said, "Madam President, it gives me great pleasure to bring to you this loving-cup, the gift of the National Training-school Committee and the Local Boards of the National Training-schools, emblematic of the love in our hearts for you." At the same time she handed to Mrs. Robinson a magnificent silver loving-cup bearing this inscription: "Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson. In loving appreciation from the National Training-schools Committee and the Three National Training-schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, 1889-1909."

Mrs. Robinson, in accepting the gift, said never was a woman so surprised and never was a woman more grateful than she, and in a happy manner thanked Mrs. Minard for the Committee, saying some way must be devised whereby all might sip from the deep loving-cup.

Rev. E. R. Willis, D.D., President of the National Training-school at San Francisco, spoke of the great need of trained workers and the qualifications necessary in prospective students in our training-schools. She must have enthusiasm for the work of a deaconess or missionary; enthusiasm not spasmodic, but enthusiasm that abides, that comes from a great vision of the King and the kingdom and a personal acquaintance with the King and a great outlook in His kingdom; must have a vision of the Invisible and a grip on the Hand unseen.

He said the average deaconess received very little commendation until death; her salary was a mere pittance of \$10 per month, but her work would bear inspection; it was an honor to our great Society, a blessing to our people, and a glory to our King.

Mrs. John Stevens, Secretary of the Bureau for the Pacific Coast, spoke of the great extent of her Bureau and of the newness of Protestantism in the country, only now celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of that great inrush of the forty-niners.

She said that while she would not presume to say that San Francisco is to be the front door of the nation, while New York is to be the back door, still there is no doubt that Pacific Ocean is to be the area of future activity, and when the Panama Canal is completed will be more

closely in touch with the East. She said the Deaconess movement is to be a large factor in the development of the religious life of the country, and now is the time to lay wide and deep foundations.

There are but thirty deaconesses for this vast territory, a force all too inadequate, and the number must be increased. Besides the cities of the coast, she said, there are country districts and mountain towns where there is absolutely no religious service of any kind.

Mrs. Stevens emphasized the very great need of consecrated women who may take the training for missionary and deaconess work. She closed with an appeal for more women in our societies, more money in our treasuries, and more love to God and our fellows.

Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, General Superintendent of Deaconess Department, then presented a most able paper on "The Interpretation of the Rules of the Church Relating to the Deaconess Work." She explained and made clear many technical points of legislation, which should be read in their entirety. (See Report.)

Mrs. P. H. Bodkin announced the gift of \$25 from Mr. P. P. Paulson for the general work of the Society.

The hymn, "God be with you till we meet again," was sung, benediction pronounced by Dr. Willis, and the meeting adjourned until Saturday morning at 9.30 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING.

THE meeting was called to order at 9.30 by the President, Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson.

The Rev. Dr. Howe, of West Lake Church, led the devotional service. Dr. Howe laid upon our hearts the "charge we have to keep" by announcing hymn No. 388, which was reverently sung. Psalm 27, that helpful Psalm telling us how to renew our strength, was read, and earnest prayer followed.

The minutes of Friday evening were read by Mrs. Thompson and adopted.

The President called all Organizers to the platform, in order to present the great work of "extension" throughout the Society, and invited Mrs. Woodruff to the chair.

Mrs. Woodruff presented Miss Mary A. Mahon, of Buffalo, N. Y., who said, in part, that she had commenced her work with the cry, "O Lord, Thou hast called me out; now show me which way to go." The report showed that she had worked in eleven Conferences, and that much gain had come to the Society through her itinerary, and that her way, without doubt, had been made plain. (See Report.)

Miss Nellie Snider, of Lena, Ill., followed, and told in her own bright, forceful way of her labors from Lake Superior, on the north, to the Gulf

of Mexico, on the south. The year had been one of toil and fatigue, but there had been joy in service, and victory all along the line. (See Report.)

The President here resumed the chair and commended the work of the Organizers. Mrs. Robinson regretted the absence of other Organizers and asked that a loving letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. M. Libbie Allen, of Des Moines, Iowa, who sat in loneliness on account of the loss of her husband.

Mrs. L. M. Hill, of New York City, had given nine months of faithful service in eight Conferences. She paid a fine tribute to the loyal women who were holding on amidst discouragements and were yet keeping alive the work. (See Report.)

The great subject of "Our Orphanages," with its keynote, "It is not the will of your Father that one of these little ones should perish," was taken up.

The beautiful solo "Like as the heart desireth" was splendidly rendered by Mrs. Dwight H. Hart.

The President expressed her regrets concerning the absence of Mrs. Mary C. Hickman, of Iowa, whom she expected to be present and present her plans for placing children in homes instead of institutions.

Mrs. P. D. Perchment spoke for Bradley Home, and said she did not report a crowded institution, but a real home with a home mother. (See Report.)

Cunningham Orphanage was represented by Mrs. Bullard, of Illinois, who reported a year of prosperity, everything in first-class condition, the children carefully trained, obedient, and helpful, and a great need of larger buildings. Mrs. C. B. Spencer supplemented the report by giving an interesting incident of a bright little girl of eight years having been placed in a Christian, cultured home in Kansas City, where she would have every advantage accorded a daughter of the house. (See Report.)

Mrs. Frank Norton, of New York City, Chairman, brought greetings from Watts DePeyster Home, where young girls are trained for lives of usefulness. Institutional life is avoided as much as possible and the privileges and benefits of the home life emphasized. (See Report.)

The Mothers' Jewels Home was reported by Mrs. Anna Hobbs Woodcock, Chairman, who believed that children are the biggest thing in life: for out of the childhood of life we will get the great things of to-morrow, and that through our orphanages we are showing the real work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society as perhaps in no other way. (See Report.)

The President presented Mrs. DePauw, benefactress of DePauw Industrial Home. Mrs. DePauw was received by a standing audience and the Chautauqua salute.

The following greeting was received from the Woman's American Baptist Home Missionary Society and the Los Angeles Baptist Union: "The Lord giveth the Word.' 'The women that publish the tidings are a great host.' In the fellowship of this great host we send greetings. (Signed) Mrs. J. Q. A. Henry, National President and Local President."

On motion by Mrs. Woodruff, the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D. L. Williams, was requested to send a fitting response.

Next in order of business was the great topic, "The City—Its Needs—Its Helps," with its slogan, "Not willing that any should perish."

Mrs. Daniel Smith, of Rochester, N. Y., said for Italian missions, "Italy salutes you; Italy, the land famed for its song, art, and music," and told of the needs of her people in our own land in a strong and impressive manner, and in closing promised that her "Roses" should sing for us when we go to Buffalo. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. D. Thompson gave a fine report of Marcy Home, that great beehive of usefulness in the heart of Chicago. She said that "if we would save America we must save the cities," and that was what the Woman's Home Missionary Society was trying to do for Chicago through Marcy Home, with its twenty departments of work, including its dispensary, library, Sunday-schools, kindergarten, Epworth Leagues, and educational classes among nearly all the nations of the world.

Mrs. J. M. G. Carter supplemented this report with a most interesting account of the work among the Jewish people. (See Report.)

Mrs. Lillie L. Slack spoke of a new work among the Italians in Brooklyn. A building has been secured for settlement work. Mothers' meetings are conducted, large classes in kindergarten and sewing are doing good work, and a Boys' Club has been formed. New York East Conference will make this work self-supporting until it has grown large enough for the General Society to adopt.

Mrs. Anna M. Onstott, of Maine, represented the Medical Mission of Boston, stating that the work was commenced twenty years ago by Miss Harriet Cook for the Italians and Jews, and gave several instances of redemption through the work of this Home.

Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft moved that we send a message of greeting to Miss Cook and Mrs. E. E. Marcy, and congratulations on the great growth of the work they made possible, and of sympathy for them in their enfeebled health. Carried.

Mrs. Aiken and Mrs. Williams were asked to write these letters.

Mrs. Onstott also spoke of the Italian work in Portland, Maine, established by Mrs. Helen I. Benson. A large and helpful mission is ever open to the call and needs of the people. Mrs. Onstott stated that this was the first Italian work undertaken by the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Glenn Home was reported by Mrs. D. J. Durrell, of Cincinnati, who said that the Mission had moved into a larger and better building, although a still rented one—one which had been used forty years as a saloon, but was now made beautiful with paint, paper, and furniture, with soft draperies hanging at the windows which had formerly been covered with beer signs. Hereafter it will be as a "light set upon a hill," guiding all needing help to a safe refuge. (See Report.)

Mrs. R. H. Young, Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, stated that a young girl from Alaska had been sent to her by the Superintendent of Jesse Lee Home; that she was now upon the sea and nearing our gates; that she was a good and useful girl, understanding all kinds of housework, and pleaded for a home for her in some family.

Mrs. Westenberg, Mrs. Stebbins, Mrs. Conkling, Mrs. Deane, Mrs. Cope, Mrs. Sharon, Mrs. Burnett, Mrs. Tedrick, Mrs. Curry, Mrs. Reice, Mrs. Hollingsworth, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. Staples, and Mrs. Bunyan were elected Tellers, with Mrs. John W. Bush as Chairman.

Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, an official representative of the Government in the care of children, was introduced. Mrs. Foster spoke in a most happy manner, saying that she had great sympathy for all women outside of the Church of God, for there was no fellowship like that of the people of Jesus Christ, and assured us that the kingdom of Christ was being set up in the kingdom of the Government. She asked us to remember that, while there were many religions, there was but one that taught the presence of the Holy Spirit in the heart; that while there were many human leaders, there was but one Divine Leader, and she had found His promises verified, beliefs made manifest, and that the Spirit dominates in years as He can not dominate in youth.

"The Needs of the Northwest, the Southwest, and the Pacific Coast" were considered by the representatives of the several Conferences. Miss Carrie Barge said that the needs of the Northwest were as great as its possibilities; that there were two great tribes of Indians who had never had the benefits of either a Sunday-school or a public school; that no message from the Word of God had ever reached them; all nations of the earth were represented in vast numbers; eleven hundred Hindoos had landed in Seattle during the month of August. Miss Barge urged the Society to proceed at once to provide for the spiritual need of the people of the great Northwest.

Mrs. C. A. Westenberg said that the needs of the Pacific Coast, even to the boundaries of Southern California, were identical with those presented by Miss Barge; that the population was as varied and the needs as great; the Japanese were calling for help in the north; help for the Finns and Italians was imperative along the central part of the coast, and that the southern boundaries were being crowded with a foreign element which must be Americanized and Christianized if they were ever to become profitable citizens.

Mrs. P. H. Bodkin spoke eloquently for the great Southwest. She said that she believed that every "ism" and "ology" in the world was worked among them, especially in Los Angeles; that the missionary field among the Russians, Italians, Mexicans, Syrians, Slavonians, Armenians, Japanese, Chinese, Jews, and Koreans was a fertile one; that there were 60,000 Mexicans and 3,500 Indians within the bounds of Southern California Conference. She said that she could not enumerate the needs, but

prominent among them was an orphanage, a Japanese Home, and increased hospital facilities.

The noontide hour having arrived, all business was suspended while Miss Mahon offered earnest prayer for "still hearts to hear the voice of God."

Miss Patten, from Arizona Mission, thought their greatest need was earnest Christian workers and money; that the harvest truly was great, but the laborers few. She felt that it was imperative that a Home should be built in Tucson for Spanish and Mexican girls. She pleaded for the weak and fallen, and said, "Remember Arizona."

The President promised to remember and help Arizona. She also expressed her appreciation of the gift of a string of beads from the missionary, Mrs. Mettie Mack, of Honolulu, and suggested that it would be profitable for all members to visit the Hawaiian exhibits.

The women of Columbia River Conference sent a plea through Mrs. Woodruff for more information concerning the work and a closer touch with the workers.

Mrs. Charles L. Weaver said that the workers in Oregon Conference were new, but had hearts full of enthusiasm. Their needs were the same as all others, with an especial need of a center of work at Portland. At the mouth of the Columbia River was an island whose inhabitants had never seen a preacher, and whole counties were without Sunday-schools or any worker to carry the gospel to them. There are twelve thousand Swedish people in Portland, with but one small Mission church.

The President stated that in traveling westward they had found no Home Missionary institution between St. Paul and San Francisco, and that everywhere the people had besought them to come and strengthen the bonds between them. She believed that *now* was the critical time, and *now* was the time to make our impress upon them.

Mrs. Woodruff stated that she had presented the claims of the Society at the Preachers' Meeting in Seattle, that the preachers expressed sympathy with the work, and said that their pulpits were open to our speakers for pleas for support.

Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson brought a recommendation from the Board of Trustees, that we borrow \$5,000 to open new work—\$4,000 to be used for immigrant work in Seattle, and \$1,000 for mission work in Portland. The recommendation was adopted by the body without a dissenting vote.

Mrs. Woodruff stated that the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union was to hold its Annual Convention in Omaha, October 22d to 26th, and moved that Mrs. Naomi Day be requested to bear the greetings of this Convention to that body. Carried. Mrs. J. C. McDowell was also made a representative.

The President introduced the Rev. Dr. Herbert B. Johnson, Superintendent of Japanese Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church for

the Pacific Coast. Dr. Johnson replied in a happy manner, gave us a benediction, and the meeting was declared adjourned until Monday, 9.30 A. M.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

ATROLLEY ride revealing the scenic beauties of Los Angeles and Pasadena was enjoyed by the delegates before reaching the beautiful Frances DePauw Industrial Home and School for refreshing hospitality in this admirably conducted Home.

SATURDAY EVENING.

THE beautiful Ebell Club House opened wide its portals to receive the throng of friends and delegates that mingled socially and enjoyed the delightful hospitality so graciously dispensed by the entertaining ladies.

SUNDAY MORNING.

THE Anniversary Sermon was preached by the pastor of the First Church, Rev. Charles Edward Locke, D. D., to a large and deeply interested congregation. His theme was "Love and Duty," and the text, "The house was filled with the odor of the ointment." It was a magnificent eulogy upon God's good women of the past, and a call to renewed devotion to His daughters of to-day to break at the Savior's feet their "alabaster boxes of spikenard very precious, that our Churches, our homes, and the sad hearts of humanity may be filled with the odor of the ointment."

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Children's Mass-meeting at 2.30 o'clock, under the skillful management of Miss Alice M. Guernsey, Secretary for Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels, was an occasion of rare interest and made a fine success by the presence of enthusiastic companies of Home Guards and Jewels with flying banners, waving flags, and flag salutes, sweet songs, rallying cries, and recitations, by Chinese and Korean children.

Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Aiken spoke earnest words.

Mrs. Mack, Superintendent of Susannah Wesley Home, gave a helpful

talk on "Our Hawaiian Cousins," and Miss Guernsey told "The Glory of the Flags," to emphasize the need of mission work under the Stars and Stripes.

The Rally of the Queen Esther Circles and Young People's Auxiliaries was held at 3 o'clock in Simpson Auditorium, with the enthusiastic Secretary, Mrs. David Dailey, Jr., in charge.

Miss Caroline Lee, a young Chinese girl of the San Francisco Chinese School, presented greetings and gratitude for the help given her people by the Society.

Mrs. Robinson, the President, gave her presence and words of encouragement.

The Rev. Matt S. Hughes, of the First Church, Pasadena, delivered an address, in which he emphasized the activities of the young people of the Church. He said that there were three great religious movements that characterized the nineteenth century, and every one of them was a young people's movement. The first was a Sunday-school movement. The second was the organizing of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Woman's Christian Association. The third was the Young People's Societies. Our Methodist Church must gather in the young people.

SUNDAY EVENING.

SO large a congregation assembled in First Church at 7.30 o'clock that many were compelled to stand.

The President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, presided over this anniversary meeting. The hymn, "Faith of our fathers," was sung with the spirit and understanding.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken, the Recording Secretary, conducted the responsive Scripture lesson, and the pastor, Rev. Edward H. Locke, D.D., led in prayer.

Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, Corresponding Secretary, spoke concisely of the year's work.

Mrs. George H. Thompson, the Treasurer, represented briefly the finances of the Society.

The Anniversary Address was delivered by Bishop Edwin Hughes, of the Pacific Coast. Bishop Hughes spoke in a general way of the Society and pointed out some prominent characteristics of the Church. "I believe," he said, "that a man who does not believe in God has a great stress on his mind. If I think along this line for a while, I can not help but go back to God as the Guiding Spirit of it all. My talk will be of faith in God.

"Columbus started out, not to find a new world, but to find a passage

around to the old. He may have started out for spices, but in that instance the spices were a good thing for God to work on. Columbus was true to his country when he lifted the cross on the new land. In other words, America was discovered without the thoughts of men. The Pilot of that vessel was God Almighty.

"John Wesley was not the discoverer of a new doctrine. It came from his ancestors back in the fifteenth century. When you think of the teachings of the Methodist Church, they were not new at all.

"Neither George Washington nor John Wesley were brilliant men intellectually, but they were both good judges of human nature. As a result Washington spent much time at home, while Wesley spent much time away from home. Neither was blessed with children, but, to compensate Washington, he was made father of his Country. Wesley was compensated by being made father of his Church.

"There were certain providential surprises in both our Government and our Church. When we went into the Revolution we did not expect to come out a separate nation. One day the people who started out for justice found a Constitution thrust into their hands by God for the creation of a new great nation.

"The Church and State were united for a while, but God never intended that. You talk of one great denomination. We had it once. If you want to know when, look back into the Dark Ages. I am not looking for the time when we will have only one denomination.

"As our ancestors did not start out for a new nation, neither did Wesley start for a new Church. In spite of anything he could do, surprises came to him as they did to the nation. Neither were the local pastors and Bishops intended by Wesley, God Almighty simply compelled us to do our work in a certain way.

"The Church and the Nation are alike in the Providential moves. The United States has laid great stress on political freedom. So has the Church laid great stress on spiritual freedom. The two movements have been the same in regard to democracy. We have a unit almost as complete as that for which the Boys in Blue fought a generation ago.

"Every once in a while I am a little afraid that the Methodist Church is drawing away from the poor people. But I do not think that is so. Some say that none but the poor are Methodists. Perhaps that is right, but, for that matter, few of the rich belong to any Church.

"I have heard it said that the time will come in this country when the son of a shoemaker will be a shoemaker; of a carpenter, a carpenter, and so on. If that time ever comes, Abraham Lincoln's spirit will make an everlasting protest; that man that came from the backwoods of Kentucky and climbed to the most famous, so that all the kings of the world had to look up to him; that man will make an everlasting protest.

"There has been a great parallel in Methodist spirit and that of the Government. As settlers of the country scattered, so did the Methodists. The spirit that has sent the pioneer, that spirit of the Americans has

sent the Methodist out to find lost man. When men are inclined to sneer at the Church, let us remind them that the Church started this country.

"The great leaders of our country have invariably been true to some great office of their State, and we need not stop at national patriotism. A great patriot makes a great missionary. There is no conflict between the feeling of patriotism and the Church.

"I am an American and love that flag as well as any of you. But I am only proud of being an American because of the good of America. The same holds true for my being a Methodist. I believe in my Church simply because my Church is a servant of God. We do not denounce any other denomination, but only ask to do our part in the work as a servant of God."

MONDAY MORNING.

THE session opened with devotional service by Mrs. C. L. Weaver, Corresponding Secretary of the Oregon Conference, who announced the hymn "Coronation," after which Mrs. Weaver read a part of the sixth chapter of Daniel, saying that these words had been her comfort in missionary work. The sixth verse of the ninth chapter of Acts, with the comment, "Find out what the Master wants you to do, then do it," was read; also Isaiah 10: 3-10: "Ye are My witnesses;" adding, "A witness is not one who *believes* something, but who tells something." One verse of the hymn, "Jesus, Savior, pilot me," was sung in conclusion.

The minutes of the last business session were read by Mrs. Winston and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Enrollment, Mrs. David Dailey, Jr., Chairman, was submitted and accepted, showing that the representation included four General Officers, two Vice-presidents, eight Managers, two Associate Managers, twenty Bureau Secretaries, one Editor, one Publisher, one Field Secretary, three General Organizers, fifty-eight Conferences, fifty-one Conference Corresponding Secretaries, fifty-eight delegates, fifteen Young People's delegates, eleven delegates from Deaconess Homes, two Chairmen of Homes, one Chairman of National Training-school, four missionaries, one hundred visitors.

ENROLLMENT.

General Officers.—Mrs. George O. Robinson, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. George H. Thompson.

Vice-presidents.—Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, Mrs. P. H. Bodkin.

Managers.—Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. W. L. Boswell, Mrs. P. D. Perchment, Mrs. O. P. McCarty, Mrs. Anna Kent, Mrs. D. D. Thompson, Mrs. W. F. Robertson, Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft.

Associate Managers.—Mrs. D. B. Street, Mrs. D. L. Rhone.

Bureau Secretaries.—Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, Mrs. B. S. Potter, Mrs. John Stephens, Mrs. R. H. Young, Mrs. C. W. Bickley, Mrs. J. W. Bush, Mrs. J. E. Piatt, Mrs. E. L. Knostman, Mrs. J. F. Mund, Mrs. H. T. Dennis, Miss Katherine Bassett, Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Mrs. A. M. Whitson, Mrs. Cotton Mather, Mrs. C. B. Perkins, Mrs. M. C. B. Mason, Mrs. David Dailey, Jr., Miss Alice M. Guernsey.

Chairman of National Training-school.—Mrs. D. A. Minard.

Chairmen of Standing Committees on Homes.—Mrs. A. H. Woodcock, Mrs. Frank Norton.

Editor of Woman's Home Missions and Children's Home Missions.—Miss Martha Van Marter.

Publisher.—Miss Mary Belle Evans.

General Organizers.—Miss Nellie Snider, Miss Mary Mahon, Mrs. H. L. Hill.

Field Secretary for Young People's Work.—Miss Carrie Barge.

Secretary of Finance Committee.—Mrs. S. J. Turner.

President San Francisco National Training-school.—Rev. E. R. Willis, D. D.

CONFERENCES:

Alabama.—Mrs. Anna D. Elder.* Visitors, Rev. E. B. Elder, Mrs. C. Lagerson.

Arizona Mission.—Miss Mary J. Bathin.† Visitors, Mrs. L. G. Harris, Mrs. Flora Jacobs.

Baltimore.—Mrs. C. L. Roach,*

California.—Mrs. E. R. Willis,* Mrs. C. A. Westenberg,† Mrs. Alta Studley,§ Mrs. L. J. Sims.‡

Central Illinois.—Mrs. I. M. Eastman,* Miss Clare Andrews.†

Central Missouri.—Miss Martha Joiner.†

Central New York.—Mrs. W. H. Peck,* Mrs. A. B. Miller.†

Central Ohio.—Mrs. D. M. Bailey.*

Central Pennsylvania.—Mrs. Byron E. Staples,* Mrs. F. W. Curry.†

Cincinnati.—Mrs. C. F. Thirkield,* Mrs. Geo. E. Marsh,† Miss Florence Durrell,§ Mrs. J. D. Durrell,‡ Glenn Home. Visitors, Mrs. Emma Decker, Miss Ada Graham, Miss Sarah Kufey.

Colorado.—Mrs. H. E. Warner,* Mrs. Geo. Woodside,† Mrs. J. A. Johnson,§ Miss Cummings.‡

Delaware.—Mrs. W. Harry Hough.†

Des Moines.—Mrs. A. E. Griffith,* Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth.† Visitors, Mrs. Lillian Mead, A. S. Meth.

Detroit.—Mrs. H. E. Earl,† Mrs. F. S. North,§ Mrs. M. D. Moors.‡ Visitors, Mrs. A. G. Bigelow, Miss Ethel Gates, Mr. F. S. North, Mr. H. T. Dennis.

East Ohio.—Mrs. M. H. Nason,* Mrs. A. G. Stebbins,† Miss Jean Orum.‡

Genesee.—Mrs. Daniel Smith.*

* Corresponding Secretary; † Conference Delegate; § Young People's Delegate; ‡ Deaconess Board of Managers' Delegate.

- Holston*.—Mrs. W. C. Sharon.†
Illinois.—Mrs. S. A. Bullard,* Mrs. A. W. Conklin,† Miss Helen Steward.§ Visitor, Mrs. M. A. Edwards.
Indiana.—Mrs. A. Stratford,* Mrs. Mary S. Helwig.† Visitor, Mrs. W. F. Brown.
Iowa.—Mrs. Naomi Day,* Mrs. J. O. Kemble,† Miss Carrie Blom.† Visitor, J. Mitchell.
Kansas.—Mrs. Carrie E. Cope,* Mrs. L. H. Evans.† Visitors, Mrs. L. J. Stanton, Lucia E. Stanton.
Lexington.—Mrs. Carrie M. Ross,† Miss W. A. Mason.§
Little Rock.—Mrs. G. N. Johnson,* Mrs. H. M. Naysmith.†
Maine.—Mrs. Anna Onstott.*
Michigan.—Mrs. Levi Master,* Mrs. Delos Fall.†
Minnesota.—Miss Clara Midcalf.†
Missouri.—Mrs. M. T. Pierce, Visitor.
Nebraska.—Mrs. Leslie Stevens,* Mrs. Alice T. Searle,† Miss Mildred Woodcock.§
Newark.—Mrs. Headley R. Woodward.*
New Jersey.—Mrs. Wesley B. Stout;* Mrs. P. J. Kite, Visitor.
New Mexico English.—Mrs. J. T. Rce.*
New York.—Mrs. J. L. Hall.*
New York East.—Mrs. Lillian Leonard Slack;* Mrs. E. C. Mason, Visitor.
North Indiana.—Mrs. A. B. Cline;* Mrs. J. E. Richardson, Visitor.
North Nebraska.—Mrs. Wm. Gorst.*
North Ohio.—Mrs. M. W. Reece,* Mrs. E. C. Kollfrath.†
Northern Minnesota.—Mrs. Arthur J. Dean,§ Mrs. J. M. Goodman.†
Northwest Indiana.—Mrs. D. M. Wood,* Miss Louise F. Wood.§
Northwest Iowa.—Mrs. M. S. Keck.†
Ohio.—Mrs. E. W. Seeds,* Mrs. F. A. Stallman,† Miss Ella Ely.§ Visitors, Wrs. W. A. Kramer, Miss Rogers, Mrs. France.
Oklahoma.—Mrs. J. F. Warren.*
Oregon.—Mrs. H. H. Weaver,* Miss Emily Lyons.†
Philadelphia.—Mrs. Jos. A. Hudson,§ Mrs. K. S. Burnett.† Visitors, Mrs. C. B. Sprowles, Mrs. M. A. Taylor.
Pittsburg.—Mrs. Edgar M. Balsinger.† Visitors, Mrs. R. S. McCrum, Mrs. O. I. Slaver.
Puget Sound.—Mrs. Wilbur Adams;* Mrs. May Read, Visitor.
Rock River.—Mrs. J. M. G. Carter,* Mrs. M. A. Hubbell.§
St. Louis.—Mrs. C. B. Spencer,* Miss Nellie Foster,† Miss Maud Bush.§
Southern California.—Mrs. P. H. Bodkin,* Mrs. I. J. Reynolds,† Mrs. E. L. Miller,§ Mrs. Geo. Bayley.†
Southern Illinois.—Mrs. Norman H. Moss.†
Southwest Kansas.—Mrs. Nettie Tedrick,* Mrs. H. K. Eberly,† Mrs. E. A. Hoyt.† Mrs. Mattie Draper, Visitor.

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Texas.—Mrs. W. H. Logan.†

Troy.—Miss Mary E. Whitehead.† Visitors, Miss A. Van Alstyne, Mr. E. W. Simpson.

Upper Iowa.—Mrs. W. C. Hayward,* Mrs. F. H. Cutter,† Mrs. H. L. Plater.†

West Nebraska.—Rev. H. T. Dewbre, Visitor.

West Texas.—Mrs. E. S. Spriggs.* Visitors, Mrs. R. A. Campbell, Mrs. L. E. Gilmer.

West Wisconsin.—Miss Carrie Hazzard,* Mrs. Nettie Ostrander, Visitor.

Wisconsin.—Mrs. John Taylor.†

Wyoming.—Mrs. F. A. Geer, Visitor.

GENERAL VISITORS.

Mrs. L. G. Harris, Miss Flora Jacobs, Mrs. C. H. Harrold, Mrs. Laura P. Welhaines, Mrs. S. I. Harrison, Mrs. E. J. Hollett, Mrs. C. L. Clock, Mrs. L. P. Hood, Mrs. W. A. Ingham.

MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. Nettie S. Mack, Mrs. Carrie Davis, Miss M. S. Lake, Miss Jennie Mathias, Miss Lydia Roul.

Mrs. John W. Bush, of Kansas City, Chairman of Tellers, who with her husband had given such valuable aid in the establishment of the Fisk Training-school at Kansas City, Mo., then read the list of tellers.

Mrs. Robinson stated that she and Mrs. Woodruff had consulted Roberts's Rules of Order, and found that it was within the province of her office to hold the chair until the election of a new President, but she would depart from this and pass the gavel to Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, Third Vice-president of this Society.

On motion, a specified bar was fixed for the voting body.

Mrs. Albright moved that no substitution in offices be allowed at this time. Carried.

Mrs. Robinson presented Mrs. G. M. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the Little Rock Conference, stating she had been detained by the illness of her daughter, and moved she yet be admitted upon the list of those eligible to vote. Carried.

Rev. Matt. Hughes, D. D., was introduced, and said he had spoken a few days ago as an individual; now he came as President of the Preachers' Meeting of Los Angeles, then in session, to welcome this body to the city, to ask upon it God's blessing, and for it the highest success for this year, as for all the years. He said: "The women of the Church set such a pace that it lifts the entire plane of Church life the higher. Our Preachers' Meeting is larger than some Annual Conferences, hence it is no mean body that greets you."

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Mrs. Delia L. Williams expressed the appreciation of the ladies assembled for this kindly greeting, and asked Dr. Hughes to bear the same to those he came to represent, and to say to them that we feel that we could have no finer body to stand behind us than that of the ministry, and we have no fears while they are there.

Mrs. Woodruff declared that we had reached a most sacred place, that of placing the right women at the head of our great Society, and in view of this asked that every head be bowed in silent prayer, to be followed by audible prayer by Mrs. Naomi Day.

The voting body rose and numbered 138 voters within the bar.

A motion was then presented by Mrs. Bickley as follows: "If, upon a nominating ballot, a member receive a majority of all ballots cast for any office, the Secretary shall cast the ballot of the Convention and she be declared elected."

Mrs. Robinson said in explanation of this motion that, since it was a fact that it had been found in the past, and without exception during the last five years, that when any candidate had, on the informal ballot, received a majority of all votes cast, no change had been made by the formal ballot, she believed the sentiment of this motion would meet approval.

The motion prevailed.

The presiding officer, Mrs. Woodruff, requested that there be no communication between members of the body, or writing until the signal was given for filling out the ballots; that all names upon the ballots must be preceded by the initials or Christian names of the nominees, and that no ballots should be folded.

Tellers were then called to pass the blanks for the nomination for President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The nominations were written, and voters stood until the ballots were collected, after which the tellers retired to count the votes.

The regular program for the morning was then taken up. A beautiful solo that brought forth a manifestation of high appreciation was given by Miss Willy Smyser, of Los Angeles.

When the report of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence was called for, Mrs. Aiken stated that the resignation of Mrs. Margaret A. Alspaugh, Secretary, had been accepted with regret by the Board of Trustees, and Mrs. H. C. McCabe had been requested to prepare suitable expression of appreciation of Mrs. Alspaugh's services, which she submitted as follows:

"Resolved, That while with great regret we accept the resignation of the Secretary of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence, Mrs. Margaret A. Alspaugh, we desire hereby to express our high estimate of the able, faithful, and successful manner in which she has labored to build up an important interest of the Society and of the Church."

Mrs. Aiken and Mrs. F. D. Bovard were instructed by the Chair to present this resolution and the regrets of this body to Mrs. Alspaugh.

Mrs. Aiken then presented Mrs. Alspaugh's report on Systematic Benevolence, which was accepted. (See Report.)

The Chairman of the Tellers, Mrs. John W. Bush, announced total number of votes cast for President, 138; for Mrs. George O. Robinson, 124; scattering, 14. The presiding officer, Mrs. Woodruff, asked the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, to cast the ballot for President.

Mrs. Aiken said she had served as Recording Secretary under the first, second, and third administrations, and for the past year had been in close official touch with the fourth President, and could testify that none had given more time and thought to the details of the general work of the Society than the one for whom it now became her duty to cast the ballot, which she then did for Mrs. George O. Robinson for President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year.

Mrs. C. B. Perkins was asked to escort Mrs. Robinson to the platform. The air was a-flutter with waving handkerchiefs as she passed down the aisle, and the demonstration changed to vigorous and prolonged applause as she ascended the platform and was announced as the new President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In a well-chosen speech of acknowledgment of appreciation for the confidence manifested, Mrs. Robinson took occasion to announce that hereafter she desired, through press and speech, to be presented as Mrs. George O. Robinson, that she might thus honor the good man who has given to this Society the time he might have claimed from her, that she might help forward the work of this Society. She pledged her continued efforts and the best labors she could give for this year, even though it sometimes should call forth criticism from those who could not fully understand the demands upon her.

Mrs. Robinson then took the chair.

Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors stated that, as a member of the Detroit Conference and of the same city, she felt an especial pride in this election, and moved that a telegram be sent Mr. George O. Robinson, of Detroit, announcing this election, and this was unanimously carried.

Ballots were then prepared and collected for First Vice-president, and the Tellers retired.

Mrs. Aiken announced the illness of Mrs. R. H. Young, and moved that a message of sympathy be sent from this body. It was unanimously carried, and Mrs. F. A. Aiken and Mrs. Delia L. Williams requested to convey the message.

Mrs. C. W. Bickley, Secretary of the Bureau for Immigrant Work, then reported her work. She brought no less startling statements than in other years of conditions and needs of our labors among the incoming armies of foreigners. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Robinson stated the Tellers were ready to report. Mrs. Bush, Chairman, announced total number of votes cast, 136; for Mrs. Wm.

Christie Herron for First Vice-president, 105; scattering, 31. Mrs. Aiken was instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Wm. Christie Herron as the First Vice-president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and she was declared elected.

Mrs. P. D. Perchment and Mrs. W. L. Boswell were instructed to notify Mrs. Herron of her election, and convey the Aaronic benediction as the message of this body.

Mrs. Roach moved that a letter of condolence be sent Mrs. James E. Gilbert, one of our Honorary Vice-presidents and one of the earliest workers, and the motion prevailed. Mrs. P. H. Bodkin and Mrs. W. H. Peck were chosen to send this message.

The ballots were then ordered prepared for Second Vice-president, collected, and Tellers retired.

The Chairman stated that 137 votes were cast. For Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, 79; scattering votes, 58.

The ballot was cast by the Secretary as instructed, and Mrs. W. P. Thirkield was declared Second Vice-president.

Mrs. Roach moved that Mrs. Delia L. Williams be instructed to notify Mrs. Thirkield of her election; it was carried, and Mrs. Robinson added the name of Mrs. Naomi Day to serve with her.

Tellers were instructed to prepare ballots for the nomination of the Third Vice-president. Ballots were collected and Tellers retired.

The report of Mrs. Wm. M. Ampt, Chairman of Committee on Mite-boxes, was, in her absence, read by Mrs. Woodruff, who spoke of the long and faithful service of Mrs. Ampt, then called Mrs. A. B. Cline, of the North Indiana Conference, to the platform, to receive the banner for the largest work reported. Mrs. Cline received the banner in a happy manner for her Conference.

The Tellers entered at this moment. Their report was called for, and Mrs. Bush, Chairman of Committee, announced the ballot as follows: Number of votes cast, 137; for Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, 121; scattering, 16. The Secretary cast the ballot for the Third Vice-president. This done, Mrs. Robinson declared Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff Third Vice-president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. I. J. Reynolds, of the Southern California Conference, was then asked to conduct Mrs. Woodruff to the platform. Mrs. Robinson presented her most pleasantly to the body. Mrs. Woodruff said that as a school-girl she had reached Trinity Church just as that first meeting was dispersed, and she had been devoted to the Society ever since that time, and should continue her devotion in any rank or place to which she should be called.

The ballot was ordered prepared for the Fourth Vice-president, collected, and the Tellers retired.

Mrs. O. P. McCarty stated that a mite-box in Cincinnati Conference contained \$68. Mrs. Woodruff announced that this could not now be considered, as the report was in her hands complete.

Mrs. C. L. Roach then moved that Conferences not yet reported be allowed in this year's report. Carried.

Tellers reported at this time, and the result of the election stated by Mrs. Bush, the Chairman, as follows: Number of votes cast for Fourth Vice-president, 138; for Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, 92; scattering, 46.

Mrs. Northrup was requested to convey the news of the election to Mrs. Park.

Tellers were instructed to prepare the ballots for Fifth Vice-president. The ballots were collected and the Tellers retired.

Mrs. Phelps, President of the Los Angeles County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, was introduced, and 2,900 women of Los Angeles County brought greetings and spirit of co-operation in this our work for the saving of the world, and commended our own Temperance Department in its efforts toward ridding our land of the liquor-traffic.

Mrs. Robinson received these greetings with sisterly courtesy, and extended an invitation to all this county and vicinity to hear Dr. Dickey on next Wednesday night, who comes four thousand miles across the continent to bring us his message.

Mrs. Stout, an original member of the Society in Cincinnati, was next introduced, and invited to lead us in our noon-day prayer. She was followed by Mrs. C. D. Westenberg, President of the California Conference, who offered another petition. One verse of "Bread of Heaven" was earnestly sung, and again we returned to the duty of the moment.

Mrs. Bush, Chairman of Tellers, being ready to report, was announced. The full number of votes cast for Fifth Vice-president, 136; for Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, 105; scattering, 31. Mrs. Aiken was instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, which she did, and Mrs. Robinson declared her the Fifth Vice-president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. A. M. Whitson was requested to conduct Mrs. Bodkin to the platform. She was greeted with applause, and on being presented, said she had been in the Woman's Home Missionary Society service for twenty years in California, and was still glad to pledge her further service.

Ballots were ordered prepared for Corresponding Secretary. The ballots were collected and the Tellers retired.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken then presented the report of Miss Frances A. Fish, Editor of the Annual Report. Mrs. Robinson emphasized the need for more copies of these in the hands of the people, and urged more careful distribution. Mrs. B. S. Potter suggested that Secretaries often withheld them because they awaited sales. She thought it better to distribute the unsold copies. Report accepted. (See Report.)

The Tellers being ready to report, Mrs. Bush, Chairman, read the result of nomination, as follows: Number of votes cast for Corresponding Secretary, 134; for Mrs. Delia L. Williams, 131; scattering votes, 3.

This result was met with prolonged applause, and Mrs. Robinson asked the Secretary to cast the ballot, which she did; and as Mrs. Wood-

ruff, at the request of the President, conducted Mrs. Williams to the platform, it was amid the display of handkerchiefs and glad acclaims, and as she ascended the platform all voices united in the Doxology.

As Mrs. Woodruff presented her and Mrs. Robinson declared her Corresponding Secretary for the year before us, Mrs. Williams said:

"My dear women, you embarrass me with your kindness. I do not know what I can say, more than that I will try to be faithful and return the love you have given me."

At this moment Mrs. E. L. Miller, Secretary of Young People's Work for the Southern California Conference, presented Mrs. Williams in a most happy manner a cut-glass plate bearing a California poppy design, and made at Pasadena, which she said was to be their tribute of love for the ten years of beautiful service in the office of Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. Williams happily answered that she had made a futile effort to raise California poppies. Now these are in an enduring form, and the beautiful plate will hold California fruit.

Ballots were ordered made ready for Recording Secretary. They were collected and Tellers withdrew.

Announcements were given, when Tellers entered with their report. Mrs. Bush, Chairman, read: Number of votes cast for Recording Secretary, 122; for Mrs. F. A. Aiken, 118; scattering, 4.

Mrs. Annie R. Woodcock, Assistant Secretary, was asked to cast the ballot for Mrs. F. A. Aiken for Recording Secretary. Mrs. Robinson asked Mrs. D. B. Street to conduct Mrs. Aiken to the platform. Amid applause and demonstrations of pleasure she was met by Mrs. Robinson and formally declared Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Aiken expressed her love for the ladies and thanks for the confidence so long continued.

Ballots were ordered for the office of Treasurer, and the Tellers withdrew.

The Tellers being ready, their report was called for, which resulted in the casting of 127 votes; for Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, 122; scattering, 5. As the Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, was called from the room to attend to some official business, the ballot was cast by Assistant Secretary Mrs. Annie H. Woodcock for Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, Treasurer, and Mrs. D. D. Thompson was requested to bring her to the platform. With unabated enthusiasm Mrs. Thompson was received, and the high esteem in which she is held was emphasized by Mrs. E. L. Miller coming again in the name of Southern California with another love-gift, and in words equally fitting as before, presented Mrs. Thompson with two handsome pieces of cut glass for sugar and cream, bearing the repeated design of the California poppy, another product of Pasadena skill.

With few but hearty words by Mrs. Thompson the gift was accepted.

Dr. Willis pronounced the benediction, and the meeting adjourned until 2 P. M.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

PURSUANT to adjournment, the President, Mrs. Robinson, called the meeting to order at 2.30. "Come, Thou Almighty King," was sung. Mrs. J. F. Warren read from the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians, and Mrs. Cotton Mather led in prayer.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Woodcock and adopted.

Mrs. Woodward organized the Convention for the continuation of the election, and it was announced that 106 were now entitled to vote.

The Tellers reported for service, and ballots were taken for the twelve Managers.

The report of the Committee on Hospitals was presented by Mrs. D. B. Street, Chairman, and accepted. (See Report.)

Dr. B. C. Cory was introduced, and said that, through the providence of God and the expressed wish of those most interested, he had been led to accept the position of Field Secretary for the new hospital of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the city of Los Angeles, and that he had never been prouder in thirty years of service for the Master than he was now in the commission under which he was working.

Mrs. Robinson introduced Dr. O. J. Nave, who, after serving twenty years as a Chaplain in the Regular Army, was now serving more directly in the Army of the Lord.

Dr. Nave stated that while there were a number of hospitals in the city as commercial enterprises, there were only two that were caring to any extent for the needy—those of the Catholic Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He spoke of the failure of some such enterprises in the past, because of too large a demand upon the charitable features of these institutions; but he believed that, with the heart of Methodism and the Woman's Home Missionary Society sustaining them, they would be able to do much in the way of charitable work without financial failure.

A description was given of the property, consisting of a hotel building of sixty rooms and two and a half acres of land in the San Gabriel Valley, presented to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the California Conference by Mr. Henry L. Coons for a Sanitarium. It was proposed to open the Sanitarium on a self-supporting basis, but to combine with this as much charitable work as possible.

Miss Alexander was presented, and spoke of the methods used in the accumulation of funds for the hospital, showing much devoted work, not only on her part, but on the part of many of her associates.

Mrs. Robinson expressed her opinion that men engaged in such work wanted our support because of the solidarity of our Society, and Dr. Nave responded by saying they wanted our support because the people generally have confidence in the Society.

A solo, "The Lord is My Light," was most beautifully rendered by Miss Hazel Runge.

Mrs. Bush, Chairman of Tellers, announced the result of the nominating ballot for Managers, and the Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, was instructed to cast the ballot, as appears on page 2 of Annual Report.

The ballot for Associate Managers was ordered.

In reporting the Bureau for work in Alabama and North Carolina, Mrs. McCarty, Secretary, expressed her indebtedness to the women of the Society for their generous support of the work of this Bureau, and her belief that no work of the Society pays a larger interest on the investment than the work for boys and girls in the mountain districts of the South.

Mrs. Robertson, Assistant Secretary of the Bureau, said that the afflicted infant of our Society, Mitchell Home, was rapidly recovering, and would stand before us in strength and power with extended hand, guiding the youth of these mountain regions to knowledge, opportunity, and to God. The Home had been transferred from Cedar Valley, North Carolina, to Misenheimer, North Carolina, a place quite as needy and more accessible. It is expected that the new building, which is most complete in all details, will be finished the latter part of November, and help to provide for the large number awaiting entrance, which is greatly needed.

The acceptance of the report of the Bureau was delayed until Mrs. Elder shall have made special report of the work of the Rebecca McClesky Home.

At the close of the report of the Bureau for West Southern States, made by the Secretary, Mrs. Edward L. Knostman, Mrs. Robinson stated that the Board of Trustees had approved the rebuilding of Peck Home, and the borrowing of \$15,000 to replace the amount which the general treasury owed to the Peck Home funds. The Treasurer, Mrs. Thompson, asked the permission of the Board of Managers to secure this loan, and it was granted. The appropriation for building purposes was made \$25,000, with the understanding that the remaining \$10,000 should be provided by special gifts. Report accepted. (See Report.)

A pleasing interruption to the business of the Convention was made in the presenting of the grandchildren of Mrs. Atkinson—Helen, Marguerite, and Frank Vincent—and the grandson of Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, Jesse Cramer Bodkin. These, with the grandson of Mr. Ravenscroft and the youngest son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Locke, were presented by Miss Guernsey as claimants for Junior Life Membership, and the needed amount was quickly given by Conferences and the Bradley Children's Home.

The Tellers reported the ballot for Associate Managers, and the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, was instructed to cast the ballot for the ladies whose names appear on page 2 of Annual Report.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Willis, and the meeting adjourned until 7:30 P. M.

MONDAY EVENING.

THE fine audience of Monday evening was greeted by the appearance of a stereopticon screen upon the platform, as it was called to order by the President, Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson. The promise of an exhibition of Mrs. Cope's fine collection of views was to be fulfilled.

A happy variety in the evening's exercises was the suggestion that all join in singing our always welcome doxology, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," as it appeared upon the screen.

The devotional service was in charge of Mrs. Hilda Nasmyth, Superintendent of Adaline Smith Home, Little Rock. Two verses of the hymn, "Rescue the Perishing," were sung, and Mrs. Nasmyth read the 19th Psalm, offered a prayer of thanksgiving for the leadings of the past, and earnest pleading for strength and grace divine for the duties that await us. The two remaining verses of the opening hymn were sung.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright and adopted.

Mrs. Robinson spoke regretfully of the enforced absence of Mrs. R. H. Young, Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, because of personal illness. The most vivid and excellent report of Mrs. Young was read by her sister, Mrs. Healy, intelligently and in good voice.

On motion, the report was accepted. (See Report.)

The President expressed the hope that the requests of Mrs. Young would sink deep in the hearts of the ladies and bear fruit, especially the appeal for a boat, in order that the missionaries at Sinuk could reach the neglected and needy inhabitants of King Island. Upon inquiry, the boat, Mr. R. H. Young said, would probably cost \$1,000.

As our Oriental work was presented, Mrs. Cope, who is in possession of fine stereopticon views of our beneficiaries and our Homes, threw them upon the screen as Miss Davis, Miss Lake, and Mrs. Mack represented their special departments of our work on the Pacific Coast. Genuine interest was manifest as each child of the Orient was introduced, and the thrilling story of many of the young lives possessed a pathos irresistible. Were it possible to present these fine views before each Auxiliary, this department would never lack support.

The audience was favored with a number, beautifully rendered by a quartet of ladies, known as the Philomel Quartet. The richness and culture of these voices proved that even in the entrancing realm of music women are gloriously endowed to produce perfect melody.

The President, in a few convincing words, invited the audience to have a part in the exercises of the evening by contributions for the help of the work.

During the time of the collection the keen business ability of those in charge of our publications was displayed when there was thrown upon

the screen, instead of pictures of themselves, which Mrs. Cope had requested first, pages of our *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions* were produced, which, when illuminated, were inspiring and received with applause.

Miss Van Marter was called forward by the President to explain these "pictures." As always, this call for Miss Van Marter brought action which produced *results*, for the President immediately subscribed for a club of ten copies of *Children's Home Missions*, to be sent wherever Dr. Locke might designate.

Clubs for the same paper were ordered by Mrs. Balsinger, Pittsburg Conference, for the Frances DePauw Home, Los Angeles; Mrs. A. W. Conklin, for the Cunningham Orphanage, Urbana, Ill.; Mrs. J. A. Johnson, for Yuma Indians; Mrs. Cope, for the Pottawatomies; Miss Bancroft, for the Frances DePauw Home; Mrs. H. G. Fall, Michigan Conference, for the Jesse Lee Home; Miss Guernsey, Sinuk Mission, Alaska; Mrs. Nasmyth, for the Queen Esther Circle, Little Rock; Dr. E. R. Willis, San Francisco Training-school.

The President invited Dr. Locke, pastor of the church in which our meetings are held, to speak, who said he was much delighted and profited by the fascinating pictures he had seen, and congratulated the Society upon the splendid women it was developing through this work. Dr. Locke spoke of the great impetus the coming of this Convention to the Pacific Coast and to this Church would give to all good work.

The delightful session closed with prayer and benediction by Dr. Locke.

Adjournment followed until Tuesday morning at 9.30 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING.

THE session was called to order by Mrs. A. M. Whitson, the President, Mrs. Robinson, being detained by special session of the Board of Trustees. The devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Carrie Davis, Superintendent of the Home for Chinese Women and Children, San Francisco. The hymns, "Oh, then to the Rock let me fly" and "I need Thee every hour," were sung, after which prayers were offered by Mrs. Beaner, Mrs. Miller, and Mrs. Roach. The hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," was sung. All then bowed in silent prayer for an instant, after which Miss Davis led audibly in a fervent petition for Divine guidance.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter and adopted.

Mrs. Robinson, the President, then took the chair, and introduced Mrs. Anna D. Elder, whose topic was, "Notes of Cheer." She said she was so glad to report that the new building for the Rebecca McClesky

Home, Boaz, Alabama, was entirely finished before occupied, and that it was now full to overflowing. She told of incidents connected with the school, and of one girl who had earned \$200 the past summer, and was now a full-fledged Freshman in DePauw University, at Greencastle, Ind.; of one girl who had gone as a missionary to Africa, and of another who would soon start for Japan, to be a missionary. Others were looking forward and preparing themselves for Christian service in different lines.

She said there was not a day passed but that the girls in that Home prayed for the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and Mrs. Elder extended an invitation to the Society to come and visit them.

Mrs. McCarty, Secretary of the Bureau, then spoke of the tribute paid by Bishop Anderson to Mr. and Mrs. Elder, saying that "they were through their lives interpreting the life of Christ." Mrs. McCarty exhibited a ring given her by a poor minister's wife, to be used for the benefit of the Rebecca McClesky Home. She desired to secure \$100 for a room in the Home, to be named for the minister's wife, and asked that shares of \$1 be taken. Responses were quickly made, and \$74 were reported.

Then Mrs. McCarty asked that Mrs. Silas Sprowls, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, come to the platform and accept this ring; but as Mrs. Sprowls was not present, Mrs. Miller came forward in her stead, and received the ring in fitting words of appreciation for Mrs. Sprowls. Mrs. McCarty, in a few words, thanked the Committee, saying the ring was not given as compensation, but as a token of the appreciation of the delightful entertainment and association provided the delegates.

The report of the Bureau for White Work in the South was then accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Robinson called attention to a beautiful bouquet of flowers on her table, and said thanks were due to the members of Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church for them.

Inspiring greetings were received from Mrs. I. D. Jones and Mrs. Wm. A. Goodman, of Cincinnati; Mrs. Edward H. Utley, representing the Pittsburg Conference, and from the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Aiken was requested to respond.

Miss Dora Jane, at one time our missionary at Susannah Wesley Home in Honolulu, and formerly in Utah, was introduced, and expressed her delight in being present. She said it was the Father's will that she be laid aside for a while, but that the three years of rest had been hard to bear, and she was anxious to again engage in work.

Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, Secretary of the Bureau for Florida, reviewed the work of the past year. She said Boylan Home had at present forty girls. Fourteen had graduated last summer, and appeared in "Cap and Gown," which form of dress had been adopted this year for the first time. The past year had been the best, and she called particular attention to the several new leaflets just out. She said friends interested in

Boylan Home were anxious for a new building on the property already secured, occupying a whole block in a most desirable location in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Bunyan pleaded for a scholarship for Emerson Home for a most worthy girl. Report accepted. (See Report.)

In the absence of Mrs. G. E. Palen, Secretary of Bureau for Georgia, Mrs. David Daily, Jr., of the Philadelphia Conference, read her report. The work at Thayer Home was represented as very much hampered because of lack of room. An advanced Training-school for Colored Girls was much needed, and this the girls themselves wanted, and until the new building was obtained satisfactory work could not be carried on.

Explanation by Mrs. Robinson of the situation at Atlanta in regard to the proposed building of Thayer Home Training-school, and of the action of the Board of Trustees recommending a conditional appropriation of \$35,000 for this building, called forth discussion, and the following resolution, offered by Mrs. C. W. Bickley, was finally adopted unanimously:

"Resolved, As a representative of the Philadelphia Conference, we desire to express our love for Mrs. G. E. Palen, and our appreciation of her work in the South for the Society; and that we indorse the recommendation of the Board of Trustees that a conditional appropriation of \$35,000 be granted to build a Training-school at Atlanta, Ga."

As it was now 12 o'clock, all business was suspended and Mrs. C. L. Roach led in a most earnest supplication for Divine help and guidance, especially remembering our beloved co-worker, Mrs. R. H. Young, at the throne of grace.

Mrs. Muttram Craig sang the beautiful solo, "Come unto Me."

At this time a gift of \$60 for furnishing a room in the Rebecca McClesky Home, at Boaz, was announced, to be paid by Mrs. W. J. Cleveland, of Bostonia, Cal., the room to be named "Minnie E. Meade." Later \$1,000 will be left by Mrs. Cleveland to Mrs. Elder for the Home.

Mrs. Cleveland was presented to the Convention and cordially greeted.

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary of the Bureau for East Central States, reported Allen Industrial Home and Academy, Asheville, N. C. and Browning Industrial Home and Mather Academy, at Camden, S. C., as in good condition and work progressing satisfactorily. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Adjournment followed until 2 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE meeting opened with the Fifth Vice-president, Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, in the chair. The hymn, "I love to tell the story," was sung. Mrs. Alta A. Studley, Secretary for Young People's Work of California Conference, read part of the Seventeenth Psalm and offered an earnest prayer of praise and thanksgiving.

The hymn, "A charge to keep I have," was sung.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. D. D. Thompson and adopted.

Mrs. L. G. Murphy, Secretary, opened her report of the Bureau for Texas by saying of King Home that one can not look in the faces of these girls without feeling a sense of pride in their development. There were thirty-nine graduates and a pressing need for more room for school purposes. Mrs. Murphy said that the four cardinal principles of systematic development in Eliza Dee Home were: Habits of industry inculcated, economy practiced, knowledge imparted, and character builded. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Horace E. Dennis, Secretary of the Bureau for West Central States, reported the New Jersey Home as being one of the prettiest places in Morristown. She emphasized the influence of their fine library, saying its influence would pass out with each girl to mold other lives who had not had such privileges.

Kent Home had given faithful efforts, with good results. The Self-denial Fund of the inmates had made possible new paint, paper, and rugs. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken read Mrs. Mary C. Hickman's report on the Day of Prayer. One of the gems was, "No agency can be more powerful toward the accomplishment of our high ideals than prayer." Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Bodkin introduced Mrs. Silas Sprowls, Chairman of Hotel Accommodations. Mrs. Sprowls expressed her thanks and appreciation for the beautiful gift of the morning. She said she had done all for love, without thought of remembrance, and asked the name of the minister's wife who gave the ring, that she might write her that a minister's wife received what a minister's wife had given.

Mrs. Whitson presented the report of the Bureau for Spanish Work on the Pacific Coast, and in closing thanked the Corresponding Secretaries for the help they had given to Frances DePauw Home, and stated that the girls had made up the \$100 promised to the Tucson Home. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Anna Kent, Secretary, reported the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona and asked all to read what would be found in the Annual Report, saying that the Albuquerque Home had had a blessed career, and that, while the Mission in El Paso was still a desire, it was nearer realization each day. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Kent displayed a beautiful silk quilt, which had also been given for the Tucson work. Shares were quickly taken at one dollar each until the sum of \$89 was realized for it.

On motion by Mrs. Albright, the quilt was presented to Mrs. I. J. Reynolds, Chairman of Arrangements for the Convention.

Mrs. Reynolds replied in a very happy manner in accepting the gift, saying that she had read that "some were born great, some achieved greatness, and some had greatness thrust upon them," and felt that she belonged to the latter class, through the kindness of the women of the Convention.

Mrs. Woodcock came to the platform wearing a beautiful Indian blanket woven in blue, gold, and crimson, which was the gift of Rev. Fernandy for the Building Fund at El Paso. The announcement that the President had purchased the zarepa was greeted with applause.

Mrs. Reynolds notified the Convention that the local entertainment would be continued until Thursday at 6 P. M. This was recognized as a generous invitation from the women of Southern California.

Mrs. E. W. Simpson gave the report of Indian and Mexican Work with a heart full of gratitude for the leading of the Lord during the year. Accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken announced the resignation of Mrs. Simpson as Secretary of the Bureau for Indian and Mexican Work, which had been accepted by the Board of Trustees with deep regret, and Mrs. H. C. McCabe had prepared the following:

"WHEREAS, Mrs. E. W. Simpson having resigned from her office of Secretary of the New Mexico and Indian Bureau; therefore,

"Resolved, That, while we accept with profound regret her resignation, we hereby express our great appreciation of her long, faithful, and successful conduct of the Bureau, to the difficulties of which she brought such loving interest and remarkable wisdom as to make it a blessing to the Indians and an honor to the Society."

Mrs. Simpson voiced her appreciation of the expression of love and sympathy, stating that she had attended the Annual Meetings, without missing one, for twenty-five years.

The President now resumed the chair.

Mrs. Aiken stated that she had found a large bouquet of carnations and sunbursts lying upon her table, and expressed her appreciation of the beautiful gift bearing a card from the ladies of the Convention Church.

Mrs. D. L. Williams read the following telegram, received from Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk:

"New York, October 12, 1909.

"Mrs. Delia L. Williams, Cor. Secretary W. H. M. S., Los Angeles.

"Sincere regrets and loving greetings from Mary Fisk Park and

"MRS. CLINTON B. FISK."

Indian Work of the Pacific Coast was presented by Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Secretary of the Bureau, and Miss Lydia Rouls. Field matrons were at work at Stickney Mission, also at Greenville, Cal. Sunday-schools and prayer-meetings sustained, and, best of all, the Indians were becoming converted, baptized, legally married, and coming to a sense of what living really means. A memorial church has been built for the Yumas, a minister appointed who will live among them, and much good seed is being sown. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Carrie E. Cope, Chairman, reported that the Pottowatomies have a successful day school. Five were converted during the year, and ten children baptized. Revival meetings were conducted, with an Indian evangelist from the Chippewa tribe.

The work among the Poncas is very promising. There are 111 members, and 160 in Sunday-school. (See Report.)

Mrs. Woodward, Chairman of Committee on Revision of Report Blanks, introduced a measure providing for a reduction in size and greater harmony in reports. The Corresponding Secretaries recommended the proposed change through the following resolution, read by Mrs. Slack:

"WHEREAS, The blanks now in use for Conference, District, and Auxiliary quarterly reports are not such as meet the requirements of the work; therefore,

"Resolved, That the new blanks as proposed by the Committee on Revision of Blanks be adopted at once instead of those now in use."

Mrs. Slack moved the adoption of the resolution. Carried.

On motion by Mrs. Roach, the rules were suspended and the resolution referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

At 3.45 the President called Mrs. F. D. Bovard to the platform to conduct the memorial service.

The hymn, "One sweetly solemn thought," was sung, and prayer offered by Mrs. Stanley Welch, of Wellington, Kan.

The President introduced the Rev. F. D. Bovard, Editor of the *California Christian Advocate*. Dr. Bovard gave a fine address on "Immortality, the Great Conviction," and said that the doctrine of Immortality was strengthened by science rather than weakened, and that psychological research proved that our "feeling sense," our "motive power," bears record to the great truth.

Beautiful tributes were paid to "Our Crowned Officers, True and Tested Friends," "Our Missionary," "Our Deaconesses," and to the "Earliest Workers in the Rank and File."

Mrs. D. L. Williams read a memoir of Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, one of the founders of the Society and its first Vice-president, prepared by Mrs. H. C. McCabe.

"Lead, Kindly Light," was beautifully sung by Miss Alice Wakefield.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken paid a loving tribute to Mrs. A. R. Clark, one of the founders of the Society and its first Treasurer.

Mrs. W. F. Robertson spoke in memory of Mrs. M. D. House, founder and Manager.

Mrs. Warner spoke for Mrs. Wm. Lennox, of Colorado Springs, and Mrs. D. A. Minard in memory of Mrs. John H. Vincent, wife of our Bishop Vincent.

Mrs. Woodruff paid a loving tribute to our missionary, Mrs. Sarah B. Roll, who gave her life for the children of Porto Rico.

Loving words were given to the memory and ministrations of "Our Deaconesses," by Miss Chaffee for Mrs. Foote, Superintendent of Los Angeles Deaconess Home, and by Mrs. M. D. Moors for Miss Harriett C. Henry.

Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft said, in speaking for Miss Townsend, of Philadelphia Home, that it was a beautiful custom to call the roll of our translated workers at the Annual Meeting, and gave the exquisite poem, "When I have crossed the bar."

Mrs. F. D. Bovard, in speaking for the rank and file, said "that we do reverence and cherish the memory of these dear sisters, and so gather inspiration for our duties, and that without their earnest service and thoughtful sacrifice the larger work of this Society could not have been consummated."

Reverent mention was made of the names of Mrs. Joanna B. Shusler, Northwest Iowa, who served thirteen years as Conference President, and twelve years as Treasurer; Mrs. Henrietta L. Caminade, New Jersey Conference, served seven years as Conference officer; Mrs. C. L. Turley, Central Ohio Conference, served fifteen years as Secretary of Supplies; Mrs. Amanda E. Brewer, Des Moines Conference; Mrs. Elizabeth S. Van Anda, North Minnesota Conference; Mrs. Anna Wade Price, many years in New York Conference; Mrs. W. P. Denehey, of Central Pennsylvania Conference, for years Recording Secretary; Mrs. B. E. Kift, of Pennsylvania Conference; Mrs. Charles J. Stewart, five years Recording Secretary of Baltimore Conference.

This beautiful service closed with the singing of the hymn, "Nearer, my God, to Thee," and the benediction by Rev. James Geissinger, D. D., pastor of University Church, Los Angeles.

Adjournment followed until 7.30 P. M.

TUESDAY EVENING.

THE meeting opened at 7.30. with the Third Vice-president, Mrs. Woodruff, in the chair. "Faith of our fathers" was sung. Miss Carrie Barge read the fifty-eighth chapter of Isaiah and offered prayer. Mr. F. B. McComas gave a bass solo, "My God, my Father," with solemnizing effect upon all hearts.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Winston and adopted.

Mrs. B. S. Potter delivered an address on "Mormonism—a Menace to American Homes," saying: "Every year since the beginning of our work in Utah, even before the Society was accepted by the General Conference, it has been said, 'Never was there a time in the history of our work here when the promise was so great or the opposition so alert.' This is truer to-day than ever before. All this shows that the dominating power in Utah has a vulnerable point, and if, like Achilles, it proves to be in the heel the vitals must sooner or later be reached. Therefore, with great thankfulness to the One 'who never slumbers nor sleeps,' I come to you with hopefulness and the faith of years still abiding to speak of the outlook of to-day. Sometimes it comes to me that we have been standing in the trenches, and now we must join in the charge. The French have a proverb that 'it is the first step that is hard.' How true in Utah thirty years ago, when our first step met laws defied, no free press, no public schools, no Christian Church, no Sabbath, God dishonored, and the praises of our Redeemer never sung. Every possible interest of the people—social, commercial, and political—in the hands of the Mormon organization, and all operated under the cloak of religion, which was and is still a modern superstition."

The progress of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the nine Stations of Utah was eloquently pictured in connection with the personal touch of the Christian missionary felt in its uplifting influence. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. L. Albright, who was to have spoken upon "What We Owe Our Southern Schools," gracefully and generously gave her time to Mrs. Nasmyth, Superintendent of the Adaline Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark., who was happy to talk for her girls and the Southland and of the effort to make the girls within this Home polished pillars in the superstructure of life. Industrial education and training, only, for the Negro race are inadequate to fit this people for their rightful place in the Commonwealth; there must be that development of mind, purification of moral nature, expansion of soul, and integrity of character which comes through Christian education.

Mrs. Robinson, the President, then took the chair and introduced Mrs. Woodruff, Secretary of the Bureau for Porto Rico, who spoke of the one million people in Porto Rico and especially emphasized the child problem and the condition of the 387,000 children under sixteen years of age as pitiable and indescribably pathetic, seventy-five per cent of whom know not the name nor the face of their own father.

The responsibility of the conditions of manhood, womanhood, and childhood portrayed was placed at the door of the Roman hierarchy. The United States Government has done what it could, but it has been necessary for denominations to aid in the educational work; every child in our day school is an evangelist going home daily with a message of the gospel; the parents of the 700 pupils in our four secular day schools must

promise that they will come to Sunday-school and thus be closely brought under the influence of consecrated Christian teachers.

The George O. Robinson Orphanage was spoken of with pride in its ministry for the uplift of the native girls, the impetus for this work having been given by the generous benefaction of Mr. George O. Robinson, of Detroit, Mich.

Sixty-one girls are gathered into this orphanage, profiting by its instruction in the development of Christian characters.

Mrs. Woodruff made an appeal for help to place two of these girls in the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.

Mrs. Woodruff closed her address with a graphic description of her visit to the lepers' island and of the spiritual vision which enabled her to see the sons of every nation reaching out hands begging for the bread of life, the giving of which is the mission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The President, Mrs. Robinson, in behalf of the Wesley Church Auxiliary, presented to Mrs. Nasmyth a bouquet of beautiful flowers, saying, "They love you for your work's sake."

Mrs. Nasmyth responded with feeling expressive of the gratitude of her heart for this manifestation of the love of the Auxiliary of Wesley Church.

The meeting adjourned until 9.30 Wednesday morning, the pastor, Dr. Locke, pronouncing the benediction.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

THE session opened with Mrs. Woodruff, Third Vice-president, in the chair, who announced Mrs. F. C. Morgan in charge of the devotional service. The hymn, "He leadeth me," was sung, and prayer offered by Mrs. Morgan. The service closed with the singing of "Jesus, where'er Thy people meet."

The following telegram, delayed in delivery, was received:

"Clifton Springs, N. Y., October 12, 1909.

"Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Secretary of Woman's Home Missionary Society.

"Greetings to your Convention. May coming year be Society's best!

"GEORGE O. ROBINSON."

Mrs. Aiken read the minutes of the previous session, and they were adopted.

A quilt made by the kindergarten children of the Chinese Home was sold in twenty-five-cent shares for \$9.25, the quilt to be given to Watts DePeyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.

The report of Rest Homes was presented as follows: Mrs. Anna

Kent representing Bancroft Home, Ocean Grove, N. J.; Mrs. Levi Master, Elvira Olney Home, Ludington, Mich.; Mrs. Clara L. Roach, Thompson Home, Mt. Lake Park, Md.; Mrs. J. W. Gillett, Wing Home, Huntington Beach., Cal.; Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Caroline Rest Home, Round Lake, N. Y.

On motion, these reports were accepted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Jennie C. Winston reported the gift of a fine property to the California Conference for a Rest Home through the generosity of Mrs. Carrie Judd Montgomery, a woman full of faith and good works. The property is located at Beulah Heights, Cal., twenty-five minutes' ride from the heart of Oakland; is a corner lot, 170 x 200 feet; sewerage, electric lights, and water system in the buildings, and is worth \$10,000 and named Barbara Heck Home.

Before presenting her report as Secretary of the Department for Young People's Work, Mrs. David Dailey, Jr., submitted a book for the use of the Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, with explanations and the statement that the book could be obtained through Mrs. Dailey if ordered in sets of twenty, at \$4. Recommendations made in the report of Mrs. Dailey were adopted as follows: First, that a letter of appreciation and sympathy be sent Miss N. Elizabeth Evans, whose efficient services must cease for a time because of affection of her vocal cords; second, that the six Secretaries of Young People's Work in the Convention enter into correspondence with all absent Secretaries.

Flags and banners were awarded the Philadelphia Conference for the raising of the largest amount of money (\$3,219.79); Queen Esther Circle, First Church, Pasadena, Southern California, for raising the second largest amount of money (\$1,421.05); and to the Little Rock Conference for the largest proportionate increase in membership.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Field Secretary for Young People's Work, Miss Carrie Barge, which was replete with interesting facts, was given and adopted. (See Report.)

The report of Miss Alice M. Guernsey, Secretary for Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels, was presented and awarded the Pittsburg Conference the banner for greatest per cent gain in Home Guard membership dues.

The Central Ohio Conference received the silk flag for greatest per cent gain in total amount of money given by the children.

Report accepted. (See Report.)

Dr. Samuel Dickie, D. D., President of Albion College, Albion, Mich., was introduced and greeted with applause. He said that he did not need to assure them that he was glad to be here, and invoked God's blessing on the Society. Mrs. J. C. McDowell, whose generosity had made it possible for Dr. Dickie to be present, received a warm expression of thanks.

• Mrs. Robinson, the President, expressed thanks for a gift of beautiful roses from the Huntington Park Auxiliary, and to Rev. Wilson for some

beautiful specimens of grape fruit, one of which she presented to Mrs. Aiken with graceful acknowledgments of her services.

Mrs. Potter presented a resolution asking that a time be set apart for Conference Secretaries' reports at the next Annual Meeting. It was adopted with the understanding that this time be in the afternoon.

Mrs. Aiken submitted a recommendation from the Board of Trustees that the Committee on Hospitals be made a Standing Committee. This was approved.

Nominations for Bureau Secretaries, Editor and Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions*, Committees, and other officers from the Board of Trustees were presented by Mrs. Aiken and confirmed as found on pages 6-24 of the Annual Report.

The matter of an appointment of a Secretary for the Bureau of Alaska was held in abeyance until further information could be obtained. The consecration and devotion of Mrs. Young, together with the wisdom and remarkable success of her administration of the affairs of this far-away field of work, with its oftentimes difficult problems to solve, rendered the choice of a successor a matter for future consideration.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Young was made Bureau Secretary *Emeritus*, as a slight recognition of her faithfulness and efficiency.

Miss Hazel Runge sang, to the delight of all the audience, "I think when I read that sweet story of old."

The report of the Committee on By-Laws was presented by Mrs. Bickley, Chairman, and all changes approved, with the substitution of Field Secretaries in place of General Field Workers. (See Report.)

Mrs. Simpson, the retiring Secretary of the Bureau for Indian and Mexican Work, was called to the platform with her husband, Mr. E. W. Simpson.

Mrs. Williams spoke of the long and devoted service of both Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, and, believing the Convention would delight to honor them, asked for a subscription of \$100 to name the dining-room in the new building of this Mission, and the sum of \$125 was quickly pledged for this purpose. A handsome bouquet of flowers was also presented to Mrs. Simpson on behalf of the Convention.

Mrs. Simpson, who declared herself as the "Speaker of the House," accepted with gratitude these manifestations of love on the part of the members of the Society. Mr. Simpson assured the Convention that the latch-string of his door always hung out for the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Aiken moved that Mrs. Simpson be made Secretary *Emeritus* of Bureau for Indian and Mexican Work. The motion received the most hearty support.

Miss Edith Hough, Treasurer of the Southern California Conference, who had been so helpful in adjusting the financial matters of the ladies of the Convention, was introduced.

Mrs. Otis Gibson, the organizer of the work of the Woman's Foreign

Missionary Society of the Pacific Coast, and founder of the Chinese Mission, was presented and greeted.

The Rev. Mr. Armstrong, who was soon to go to the Indian Mission at Greenville, was introduced.

Mrs. Alice Mills presented a book of her own authorship to the President, Mrs. Robinson, who accepted it with thanks.

Mrs. Mills recited passages of Holy Writ of inspiration, consecration, and reward, and led in the noontide prayer.

One verse of "Together let us sweetly live" was sung, and adjournment until 2 P. M. followed, with the benediction by Rev. F. D. Bo-
vard, D. D.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

WEDNESDAY afternoon at 3 o'clock the Convention was called to order by the President, who invited Mrs. Hill, one of our General Organizers, to have charge of the devotional service.

Mrs. Hill announced the hymn, "Fling out the banner, let it fly." After the singing of two stanzas Mrs. Hill offered prayer. Miss Kie Jahi Christian favored the audience with a finely rendered solo, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace."

Mrs. W. F. Robertson appeared upon the platform and invited Mrs. McCarty forward. In addressing her, Mrs. Robertson said, "Those of us who journeyed with you from the East to this 'City of Angels' desire to present you—their pilot—this beautiful gold necklace with amethyst pendant as a slight expression of our esteem personally and of our appreciation of your untiring efforts for our comfort and pleasure."

Mrs. McCarty was thoroughly surprised, but said, feelingly: "I have no words to express my appreciation of your love and your gracious acceptance of my efforts for your comfort. I have simply done my duty in the matter to you, to the Society, and to our Heavenly Father, whom we try to obey without hope of reward; but I shall enjoy this token of the favor in which my services are received."

The minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright and adopted.

Rev. Mr. Haygood, of Wesley Chapel, and Mrs. M. C. B. Mason were called by the President to the platform. Mr. Haygood held in his hand an exquisitely hand-painted pitcher, which, he said, he desired in the name of the colored pastors of the city to present to Mrs. Mason, not only for her personal worth, but for her loyalty to her people and for the ability she possesses to carry forward the work in the important position in this Society to which she has been called. Mr. Haygood said he did not wish for her the beauty of Helen of Troy or the prowess of Joan of Arc, but he would wish for her the spirit and hope of Dorcas, that she might continue to be a helper of her people.

Mrs. Mason replied, in accepting the beautiful gift, that she had no language worthy to express her gratitude for this expression of the esteem of her people. The colored woman is in the Methodist Episcopal Church to stay. They are now 300,000 strong, and "if we are anything as a race we owe it to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We are here to stay, to give of our poverty and our strength to this organization."

Mrs. Williams presented to Mrs. Mason a flag to bear to the Washington Conference because they had raised more money than any other colored Conference. This Conference held the banner last year, but returned it because they thought some other Conference would by their efforts succeed to it.

Constitutional amendments proposed at the last meeting of the Board of Managers, and duly published in our official organ, were presented by Mrs. Aiken, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That the Bureau Secretaries residing within the bounds of a Conference be *ex-officio* members of the Conference Executive Board.

"*Resolved*, That the District Secretaries for Young People's Work be members of the Conference Executive Board.

"*Resolved*, That Superintendents of our Industrial Homes shall be members of the General Board of Managers.

"*Resolved*, That the words 'President *Emeritus*' be inserted in Art. III, Section 5, after the words 'Associate Managers.'"

All, on motion, were adopted, with the exception of the third, relating to the vote in the Annual Meetings of the Superintendents of our Industrial Homes.

A beautiful little girl, Mary Allyeene Ravenscroft, the daughter of the caretaker of the church, was presented. She had been made a life-member of the Mothers' Jewels by the Watts DePeyster Home.

In view of the near approach of our Thirtieth Anniversary it was recommended by the Board of Trustees that a Committee of Three be appointed, with Mrs. E. L. Albright Chairman, to prepare a plan for the observance of this anniversary.

Recommendation adopted and Mrs. Albright was empowered to choose her associates.

The President said she had found in Mrs. King a fine example of the perseverance of the saints. Mrs. King, Secretary of the Bureau for Mission Supplies, had waited long to present a suggestion which would be an additional help to this important work of supplies. Mrs. King introduced Mrs. Westernberg, who said that the California Conference had put into the hands of the Woman's Home Missionary Society their "Sustentation Fund." The plan was somewhat changed. (See Plan.)

Mrs. Roach said she did not feel that we as a National body should take action on this matter, for conditions in Conferences where so different.

Mrs. Bickley moved we adopt the plan and call it the "Frontier Fund."

Mrs. King moved as a substitute that the matter be referred to the Board of Trustees and reported upon next year.

The substitute was adopted.

Report of Place of Meeting was heard through its Chairman, Mrs. Arthur Dean, of Minneapolis. The report recommended that the next meeting of the Board of Managers be held in Buffalo.

Mrs. Minard was invited to the platform and said: "We invited you to Buffalo last year for this meeting, but the eloquence of your representative from this coast prevailed, and I believe we are here in answer to the plan of our Heavenly Father to advance our work. We can not do in Buffalo what has been done for us here; but as it is your only invitation I trust that you will accept it."

On motion of Mrs. Bickley, the invitation was accepted by a rising vote.

Mrs. Minard said the care of this Convention had become a problem. In the early days there were many invitations asking for our meetings. Now they are few, not because of lack of interest or warmth of affection for our cause, but because of the expense of entertaining so large a number. Mrs. Minard offered the following:

"WHEREAS, The Woman's Home Missionary Society has grown to such magnificent proportions that it has become a financial problem to meet the needs in its entertainment; therefore,

"Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider a plan by which this problem may be met."

On motion, carried, and the Chair authorized to appoint the Committee.

Mrs. Williams spoke of the Forward Movement, and inquired if any Conference was entitled, this year, to recognition because of completion of payment of Silver Offering. Wyoming Conference responded, and Mrs. D. L. Rhone, Corresponding Secretary, came forward and was presented with the streamer for her flag. Colorado Conference also responded, and Mrs. H. E. Warner, Corresponding Secretary, was congratulated and promised a streamer, as no more were at this time on hand.

The Newark Conference was the only one reported as completing its Building and Improvement Fund, and Mrs. H. R. Woodward, Corresponding Secretary, was presented with a large map of the United States showing the location and schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Williams then asked, "Shall we double our membership, and shall we work to raise our Building and Improvement Fund?" Unanimous desire and willingness to do these things were expressed by a show of hands.

Mrs. Aiken presented a recommendation from the Board of Trustees that the names of our President and of Mrs. B. S. Potter be added to the Methodist Episcopal Section of the Council of Women for Home Missions; also the names of Mrs. F. D. Bovard, of San Francisco, Mrs. F. A. Arter, of Cleveland, Ohio, and of the wives of the Bishops of our Church.

be placed upon the list of Honorary Vice-presidents of the Society. Recommendation adopted.

Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson explained that the appropriation of the \$4,000 for Immigrant Work at Seattle was conditioned on the Columbia River Conference raising a like amount. Mrs. Adams, of Tacoma, thanked the Society for this gift on behalf of that Conference.

Mrs. Williams moved that the \$9,000 collected by Mrs. Negus and her co-workers for an annex to the Mothers' Jewels Home at York, Neb., with her approval and consent be made an Endowment Fund, with an annual five per cent interest payable to Mothers' Jewels Home annually, the same to be called the "Negus Endowment Fund." Carried.

The report of the Bureau for Mississippi, in the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Henry C. Hedges, was presented. This report showed progress and prosperity characterizing the white and colored work. Accepted. (See Report.)

On the request of the Conference Secretaries, Mrs. A. E. Griffith, of the Des Moines Conference, was elected leader of Conference Secretaries' meetings for next year at Annual Meeting.

All Conference Secretaries were then invited to the platform. Thirty-five women came forward and, being taken by the hand by the President, were introduced by name and Conference to the audience. It was stated that for the first time Oklahoma and the New Mexico English Conferences were represented.

Miss Laura E. Charnock, Chairman of the Local Committee on Badges, now announced that she had for distribution "hand-painted poppy badges" for the Bureau Secretaries, and desired all entitled to them to come to her.

Miss Hicks, a graduate deaconess of the Washington Training-school and now a missionary, being Matron at the Frances DePauw Industrial Home, was presented with her little four-year-old adopted daughter, who had been made a life-member of the Mothers' Jewels. The little child had been an inmate of the Cunningham Orphanage.

Mrs. Woodruff submitted the "Report of the Special Committee on Plans for Supervision of the Work:"

"First—We recommend the formation of general divisions, to correspond as nearly as possible to the General Conference Districts.

"Second—That we have fifteen general divisions.

"Third—That a Committee of Five from each Conference in the general divisions be appointed, to constitute the General Division Committee, to consider plans for our work in the territory of the general divisions, and for the ensuing year to determine the number of Organizers and their location in the general division through correspondence with the National Corresponding Secretary."

This report created considerable discussion, and during this discussion a motion was made, and carried, that the President be allowed to speak on the subject.

The report was adopted *ad seriatim*, and then adopted as a whole.

Mrs. Turner, Secretary of Finance Committee, read the additional conditional pledges which were allowed, and then read the revised list. On motion of Mrs. Woodruff, a rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Turner for her arduous labors in connection with this work.

Mrs. Albright, on behalf of the Convention, presented to Mrs. Bodkin a beautiful Navajo blanket as a token of love and appreciation of her work in connection with the entertainment of the meeting.

Mrs. Bodkin in a feeling manner replied, saying her work had been a labor of love, and thanked the women for their gift.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The Assistant Secretaries have with ability and painstaking accuracy aided so largely in recording the proceedings of the Convention; therefore,

"Resolved, That this body heartily join the Recording Secretary in tendering them deserved recognition in a rising vote of thanks."

The President spoke of the great help and wise suggestions of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, and thanked her personally, as well as for the Convention, for this assistance.

At this time the minutes of the afternoon session up to 4.30 o'clock were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

In recognition of the fact that the Detroit Conference had for five years been the banner mite-box Conference, Mrs. Earle, the Mite-box Secretary of that Conference, was presented and made a few remarks. Mrs. F. S. North was also called for, because through her efforts, it was announced, Detroit Conference has had for the past seven years the largest circulation of *Woman's Home Missions*.

A vote of thanks was also given to Mrs. Woodward and Miss Guernsey, because through their efforts our Society had been able to make such a fine display at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle. The following, offered by Mrs. John Bush, was unanimously adopted:

The Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, assembled in Annual Convention at the First Church, Los Angeles, desire to express to our sister, Mrs. R. H. Young, retiring Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, our sincere love and sympathy in her illness, and to assure her of the prayers of her co-laborers for a speedy recovery to the work she has so wisely carried forward and dearly loved.

On motion, all unfinished business was referred to the Board of Trustees, and the minutes of the evening session to follow referred to the Recording Secretary for approval.

Mrs. D. D. Thompson read the minutes of the session from 4.30 o'clock and they were adopted.

The Convention adjourned at 6.30 until 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

MR. COLLINS, the organist of the Convention Church, favored the vast audience assembled with a short organ recital, preceding the lecture of the evening. Mr. Collins's selections were wholly national airs, and the continuous applause showed the appreciation of his hearers.

Rev. Dr. Locke announced the hymn, "Faith of our fathers," saying it was a real "battle cry" even to-day.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Locke for our country, our flag, and all great reforms.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was submitted by the Chairman, Mrs. Bolsinger, of Pittsburg, and adopted. (See Report.)

The President, Mrs. Robinson, introduced the speaker of the evening, the Rev. Samuel Dickie, D.D., President of Albion College, Michigan, who was greeted with much applause.

Dr. Dickie opened his address by paying a fine tribute to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and said that it was a source of gratitude to him that so great a Convention should close with a Temperance address. He treated his subject in a masterful way from four standpoints:

First—The lowest possible plane of attack: That the liquor business is entirely destitute of wealth-producing power.

Second—That it absorbs great values.

Third—That it obstructs the path of labor.

Fourth—That it undertakes to dominate in all public affairs.

It was a strong, practical, helpful address.

"America" was sung, and the President, Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson, with strong words of hope, declared the Twenty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church adjourned.

MRS. F. A. AIKEN, RECORDING SECRETARY.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT,

MRS. B. S. POTTER,

MRS. D. D. THOMPSON,

MRS. JENNIE C. WINSTON,

MRS. ANNA H. WOODCOCK,

Assistants.

Annual Address of the President.

MRS. GEORGE O. ROBINSON.

I COUNT it a rare privilege to stand before you on the opening day of our Twenty-eighth Annual Convention—a memorable Convention, the first ever held west of the Rocky Mountains, here in California, one of our States not three-quarters of a century old, and yet with the oldest trees that exist in the world—trees that were “five hundred years old when Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt, and they are green and growing still.”

We have had an educative journey that has helped us to better appreciate wonderful California. Many of us came from older States to rendezvous at busy, great Chicago. We rode for hours through prosperous, growing Minnesota, the advancing, progressive Dakotas; we marveled at the wonderful opportunities of Montana and Idaho; we passed over the Rocky Mountains, those great sentinels keeping watch over a continent; we looked upon the waters of the great Pacific; visited the Exposition that has opened our eyes not only to the growth and wonderful opportunities of the great Northwest, but to the resources, the wealth, and the opportunities of Alaska; we witnessed the marvelous rebuilding of San Francisco, the Golden Gateway of the Pacific Coast.

And now we are here in the beautiful “City of the Angels,” ready to begin our review of the work of the past year, and to make large and comprehensive plans to meet the opportunities of the coming year. Do you wonder that for months we have been praying to God for insight, foresight, breadth of vision, courage, and aggressive faith?

I count it a rare privilege to stand before you as one among others whom you have commissioned to march in the vanguard of the great army of 130,000 members—an army composed of women thoughtful and matured by the experience of years; of young women radiant with hope, confident in faith; of children, tender, loving, helpful. All of these are animated by the highest motive—love for the Divine Father. All of these are working as one mighty whole to uplift humanity. “To uplift humanity in our own domains?” you question. But Bishop Oldham, in a recent letter, says: “To help save America, the most potent factor in the saving of the world, is a program that might well call for deepest devotion.”

Do you women, members of this Convention, realize your responsibilities? You are not here for your own pleasure; not for your own ease or comfort; not even alone for your own instruction, enlightenment, and

inspiration. You are here, *each one of you*, as the representative of thousands. You must study, reflect, remember, for all of those members whose chief knowledge of our vast present work will come from you. To the rank and file of our members the National Officers and workers are not known. You are the ones whom the members know and love. *You* to them *are the important women*. May you rise to the height of your great privileges! Do not let sight-seeing, social pleasures, the meeting of rarely-seen friends—*do not let anything* interfere with your presence here at all business sessions.

I have some practical suggestions I would like to leave with you.

DUES-PAYING DAY.

I commend to you the setting aside of a regular day for paying annual dues. The year has only twelve months, whether the payment begins in September or in May, and should it begin in September, think of the yearly interest that will be saved and the help given our Treasurer to meet the demands made by all of our institutions when the school year begins in the autumn. How you will strengthen and encourage our Bureau Secretaries to put their institutions upon a right basis of efficiency and progress!

OUR BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENT FUND.

You can not begin to tell how important is this fund to the proper maintenance of our work. Foster it, work for it, complete it.

LET US DOUBLE OUR MEMBERSHIP AND MORE.

We must continue at our mission—one to which our God and Guide has called us—to appeal to the two million and more of our Methodist women, that they may be obedient to the heavenly vision, that they will join us in working for God and our native land. Let us never relax in this great effort, even should our membership be doubled. Let us not leave one daughter of the Church “at ease in Zion” until she shall be persuaded to come and help us.

OUR THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

We are nearing our thirtieth year of the founding of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; three decades since, without a dollar or a missionary, our founders had the faith to start this noble Society. Can we not commemorate this event in July, 1910, by having special gifts made as Thank-offering gifts, to be appropriated as each Conference shall request?

I recommend that this Board of Managers vote for special services, to be held at camp-meetings, conventions, and places where our Society assembles in July, 1910—our anniversary month—to commemorate the thirtieth birthday of the Society.

GENERAL DIVISIONS.

At this meeting some important legislative changes are to be considered. Questions confront us similar to those that confronted our sister Society, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, at their session one year ago. As one of their workers said, "For some time there has been a feeling that the Society had outgrown its legislation, and that a new code of laws was imperative, if progress was to be continued." The officers of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society felt that the home field must be better cultivated if enthusiasm, money, and energy were to be called for in the foreign field. Hence the Foreign Society took a radical step. They created a "Home Department," which has supervision of all the work in the home-land, including the special secretaries, General Office Secretary, publications, and other branches of work.

A similar question now confronts the Woman's Home Missionary Society. How can we cultivate the home fields? How can we develop a larger number of young, growing women, who will be trained by successive service and responsibility to fill more responsible situations in the larger national work of the Society? This is a far-reaching, all-important question, and true Christian women, before me to-day, the solution is your consideration, your responsibility.

PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

Another subject to which I ask your thought is the care of our missionaries.

We have now a "Permanent Deaconess Fund," for we could not honorably, much less in a Christian way, invite young women to give their lives unreservedly in consecrated service for God and His needy children unless we should provide for all exigencies of sickness and old age.

But while missionaries enter service under different conditions than do the deaconesses, the vital question is the same, viz: our duty to our missionaries who have or who shall give themselves unstintingly to our service for a number of years over twenty.

In large cities there are many plans in existence whereby public school teachers, after twenty years of service, have a small pension. Why should not some provision be made for the teachers of our Society? Now, our "Permanent Deaconess Fund" has been so worked out that not a cent has ever been asked for from the General Treasury. The money for this fund has been secured by special gifts and special efforts, and since the last General Conference accepted the plan of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the deaconess institutions themselves provide for the maintenance and growth of our "Permanent Deaconess Fund."

Why can not we inaugurate a like plan for our missionaries? We have capable, earnest women who are able to work out plans for a "Missionary Fund" in some similar way, that will not tax our General Treasury, certainly not until every outstanding debt is paid. I recommend to

this General Board of Managers that you take formal action on this proposition for a "Permanent Missionary Fund," and that a "Committee of Administration" of five members be appointed at this session to formulate plans and to report to the next Annual Meeting.

WOMAN'S HOME MISSION WORK IN ALL METHODISM.

Why do we not do more to encourage our Norwegian, Danish, Swedish, Italian, and German Churches to form Auxiliaries of our Society? Why can we not have a German Secretary, to begin with, who will give her entire time and strength to this good cause? We need to enlarge our work to cover all Methodism in our home-land.

Our Bishops have issued an official call for "Pluri-Lingual Preachers," men who can teach and preach in several languages. We need the same—deaconesses, missionaries, who can speak and teach in different languages and pursue different lines of work in America, "the trysting-place of all races, the refuge of men of every tongue."

OUR CONVENTION DAILY.

I commend to you our daily paper, published here during this session. We believe it will be valuable for you to secure a copy, and to send as many copies as you are able to your friends. We need your co-operation and your subscription to make this a success.

PAYMENT OF PLEDGES.

Another subject I refer to our Corresponding Secretaries, and that is the payment of pledges. Each year we have many unpaid pledges for special work. If these could be paid, many hard tasks would be saved on the part of our Bureau Secretaries and Trustees. Upon these pledges measures are even taken that require the payment of money, and by non-payment of pledges the Treasurer is left with many deficits to face. How can we secure better business methods? Some of our Conferences always meet all their pledges. Others very often are in advance of all their pledges. Can we not devise some badge of honor, some pin with successive bars for successive years, that will give due recognition to those who have worked earnestly and faithfully to meet every obligation?

CHURCH PRESS.

I want to bear testimony to the valuable services of our Church press. Last spring the officers of your Society deemed it wise to address the women of Methodism, urging the increase of our membership. To this end we issued an "Appeal." The "Appeal to the Women of Methodism" was readily published in all the Methodist weeklies save one. We were grateful for the enlarged audience, and for the recognition by our Church

editors, that we are all engaged in one common cause. We now have an editor, Mrs. Levi Gilbert, of Cincinnati, on "Home Mission Information for the Religious Press," and we hope to secure still wider dissemination of knowledge of our work.

COLLEGE SECRETARY FOR YOUNG WOMEN.

I am sure that all of you will rejoice at the active work accomplished this last year by the Department for Children and Young People. The Secretary for Young People has taken a further step by recommending a Secretary for work among the Colleges of Methodism. The Trustees have indorsed this recommendation, and the Board of Managers gave approval.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION.

I desire also to express appreciation of the loyal co-operation and brotherly service given the Woman's Home Missionary Society during the past year by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. We are learning that there is a great increase of opportunities as well as appliances, since the men of Methodism have been organized for work in "Our Country, the World's greatest Mission Field."

The past year has been one of hard work, but also delightful recompense. The encouraging letters, the words of heartfelt cheer and commendation; the co-operation of the Officers and Bureau Secretaries; the unity and harmony that has marked the year's work—for all of these we thank God and take courage.

I look forward into the future, dear friends. I believe that the Woman's Home Missionary Society is appointed to be one of the great, vital forces of that branch of God's Church called Methodism.

All humanity is interested in what you are doing, although few of you realize this to be so. Your lines go out to the ends of the earth. You need to constantly renew your spirit by the contemplation of the great cause to which you are giving yourselves. When your hands become weary and the fagged brain refuses to act, pause and look to the far future, to the vision of what is yet to be. You are helping the coming of Christ's kingdom, that blessed time—

"When each shall be to another,
Even as Christ would have been,
Brother unto Brother."

Let your eyes of faith behold this great beyond; let your ears catch the faint, far-off music of the new Creation. Then will the joy of the Lord renew your force, and you will say, with the Hebrew prophet of old, "The people that do know their God, shall be strong and do exploits."

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

DELIA LATHROP WILLIAMS.

Ten years ago this month, in Pittsburg, your present corresponding secretary was called to the duties of this important office. She had never thought of such a possibility, and perhaps you can imagine the overwhelming sense of responsibility which took possession of a new official in attempting to follow the earnest, capable, untiring, greatly beloved Mrs. Rust, who had recently been released from earthly duty by the Master Himself.

But the best she has had she has been giving to the Society for the ten years now closed. Perhaps it will encourage the faith of us all to spend a little time in looking back over the way we have come, for surely God's blessing has rested on the Society and its faithful workers.

First, as to membership. There were reported—

in 1900, 53,624 Auxiliary and 6,049 Circle members, a total of	59,673
in 1901, 64,506 Auxiliary and 6,747 Circle members, a total of	71,253
in 1902, 70,008 Auxiliary and 8,694 Circle members, a total of	78,702
in 1903, 80,645 Auxiliary and 12,471 Circle members, a total of	93,196
in 1904, 85,008 Auxiliary and 13,948 Circle members, a total of	99,036
in 1905, 87,063 Auxiliary and 17,822 Circle members, a total of	104,865
in 1906, 88,194 Auxiliary and 19,908 Circle members, a total of	108,102
in 1907, 91,444 Auxiliary and 19,426 Circle members, a total of	110,870
in 1908, 97,349 Auxiliary and 20,930 Circle members, a total of	118,279
in 1909, 104,156 Auxiliary and 22,478 Circle members, a total of	126,634

The measure of the interest in Home Mission work is to be found in the call for its literature. Let us see about our excellent periodical, *Woman's Home Missions*.

In 1900 the subscription list numbered.....	16,450
" 1901 " " " "	16,086
" 1902 " " " "	19,200
" 1903 " " " "	22,500
" 1904 " " " "	25,500
" 1905 " " " "	27,045
" 1906 " " " "	27,946
" 1907 " " " "	30,300
" 1908 " " " "	32,800
" 1909 " " " "	35,000

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

This increase can not but be very gratifying to our faithful editor and publisher, who came to their official duties in New York about the same time as the present corresponding secretary came to hers.

And what about the treasury under the management of our excellent treasurer, whose term of office has been contemporaneous with that of the corresponding secretary?

In General Fund, cash directly from Conferences, and exclusive of bequests, annuities, endowments, and Silver Offering,

In 1900 the treasurer reported.....	\$62,713
" 1901 " " "	57,121
" 1902 " " "	64,966
" 1903 " " "	71,097
" 1904 " " "	88,406
" 1905 " " "	93,305
" 1906 " " "	95,488
" 1907 " " "	97,436
" 1908 " " "	109,606
" 1909 " " "	115,287

Added to this there has been contributed by the members of the Society in the last six years as a Silver Offering a total of \$163,036.91.

The report of special funds, including Student Aid, is equally encouraging:

In 1900 the treasurer reported.....	\$36,704
" 1901 " " "	39,362
" 1902 " " "	45,593
" 1903 " " "	57,056
" 1904 " " "	58,258
" 1905 " " "	69,666
" 1906 " " "	77,411
" 1907 " " "	84,432
" 1908 " " "	91,078
" 1909 " " "	100,956

A large increase is to be found in our voucher credits that represent city and deaconess work:

In 1900 the treasurer reported by voucher.....	\$68,540
" 1901 " " " " "	77,701
" 1902 " " " " "	107,779
" 1903 " " " " "	75,787
" 1904 " " " " "	81,566
" 1905 " " " " "	145,970
" 1906 " " " " "	132,182
" 1907 " " " " "	118,829
" 1908 " " " " "	177,531
" 1909 " " " " "	240,245 78

In 1900 the number of deaconesses, probationers, and students was 304, and the yearly expenditure for deaconess work was \$47,000. In 1909 the number of deaconess probationers and students was 651, and the expenditure for the year \$182,800.

You will observe that in the ten years our membership has doubled, our subscription list has more than doubled, our annual receipts to General Fund has doubled, our special funds are nearly threefold, and the voucher credits three and one-half times as great. The estimated value of property has increased from \$776,000 to \$1,456,000, or nearly doubled.

Surely we have much to encourage our faith for future enterprise in doing business for the Master.

It is to be noted that the ratio of increase in membership, in subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions*, in annual cash receipts, and in the value of property is almost identical—an increase of one hundred per cent or more; so, when we are working for increase of membership we are working for the promotion of all departments of Home Mission endeavor.

METHOD IN WORK.

It has been suggested that we have a dues-paying month, and that this month be September. If this could be done it would save hundreds of dollars to the treasury. The bills are larger in the fall than later, for travel of missionaries must be paid, buildings put in order, fuel and supplies bought, besides the monthly payment of salaries. To do this, large loans must be made until the second quarterly report comes in, for the first quarter's returns are very light. Let us by all means, as far as possible, make September dues-paying month.

Then November is our Thank-offering month, and we ought to magnify this anniversary. Is there any good reason why this Board of Managers should not determine a sum to be raised by the Thank-offering and let it be apportioned to the Conferences, and by the Conference Boards to the districts or Auxiliaries and Circles? We always work more heartily and effectively when we have a definite goal to reach.

May is our mite-box month, and this "arm of our service" is far from "having attained." Why should we not have some definite plans and ends for our mite-box festivals? May is a beautiful month. Would not this be an excellent month to have an evening meeting and invite the brethren, and put them on the program, and so make it an annual occasion? Let us have something new and delightful for our mite-box festival. Rusts are extremely hazardous, especially when one is making *automobile* time, and that is the ambition of this organization.

Then the "student aid" is needed early, some of it at least. It may be October and April should be Student Aid months, and some others Special Fund months. Does one say this would keep us giving all the time? Yes, it does; but are we not receiving all the time? And we shall not exhaust the tithe because of method in giving, and it is method I am asking for, not amounts.

FIELDS READY FOR THE HARVEST.

Our study for the coming year will be the Negro, and it is well that we give special attention to this one-eighth of our population. We shall find much food for thought in this study, and a revival of interest in our work for the colored people. If our judgment of them were based upon the lurid reports of the chasing-down with bloodhounds a brutal Negro who has never outgrown his savage ancestry, we might think the case hopeless, but these cases are one in a million. Were as swift punishment meted out to the white man, his record would probably be no better.

But, on the other hand, when we are told by Miss Helm that in one generation these people, starting with only their freedom, their bare hands, and their large families, now own or manage 182,000 farms, comprising 16,000,000 acres of farm property, worth \$230,000,000, and that their secret benevolent societies own \$5,000,000 worth of property, we can not but respect their success. We owe it to these people to safeguard them by teaching them how to secure for themselves comfortable, clean, well-kept homes, for when a man owns a home he is anchored to all that is best in life. We owe it to both races that we teach the girls to be virtuous and honestly self-supporting. We ought also to teach them that their best attainment will be to be loyal and affectionate wives of good men of their own race, and the wise and faithful mothers of their children.

Of our three million mountain people scattered over eight Southern States, a Southern man in a recent article written for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, says that in the States of West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, East Tennessee, South Carolina, and Georgia, in May, 1902, more than sixteen per cent of the male whites above twenty-one years of age could neither read nor write. In North Carolina alone there are more illiterate people than in thirty-two selected States of the Union combined; and only one State in the Union has a larger number of illiterate native-born children between the ages of ten and twenty than has Tennessee. In Connecticut the average length of the annual school term is one hundred and eighty-nine days, in North and South Carolina it is eighty-seven days. The average expenditure per capita for the school population from five to twenty years of age is in New York \$20.88, in Tennessee \$2.87, and in Alabama \$1.50. Here, says the secretary of our Board of Education, is one of the wide-open doors. We need to furnish the country schools with Christian teachers; we need to supply a vigorous educated ministry; we need to create an intelligent Christian citizenship.

And what of the Mormon, whose religion is a degradation and whose politics are a menace to the Republic? These people are systematically colonizing a vast territory and practically hold all the cultivable land between the Rockies and the Sierra Nevadas, a territory of 350,000 square miles. The valleys of eight States are being colonized by drafting families,

if they do not volunteer, furnishing them teams, tools, seed, and provision, and sending them out to start new Mormon centers of population. One of their bishops was bold enough to say, years ago, "We shall in the near future rule the West, and then we will dictate the policy of the Government at Washington.* Will they do it?"

In some sections our Churches find support difficult, for our membership is decimated, ministerial support is uncertain, Sunday-schools are small, and leaders impossible to find because the native American population has been replaced by the foreign, and we are distressed because the pews are empty and our collections for Foreign Missions are falling off and Christ's cause seems to be losing ground. But in our distress it does not occur to us, any more than it did to the Jews of Christ's day, that if those for whom the feast was originally prepared do not come to the marriage, the invitation is to be sent to the highways and hedges, and these uncared-for Gentiles under the strong compulsion of love are to be given the seats at table. Is not this God's plan, which we, in a worse blindness than that of the Jews, have not yet fully comprehended?

But, one says, these people are ignorant and dirty and dishonest and sinful. Is not that a reason why they need the gospel of cleanliness and honesty, and of a sound mind? And what about the children of our alien population? Ought we not to begin most earnestly their training for future citizenship? They will soon hold the subordinate offices in our towns and cities, and their children will be our professional and business men, our governors and senators and judges. It is all-important to the Nation that they be Christian and Protestant. If the time to begin training a generation is with the grandparents, then the time is now ripe, and we should be about our Father's business if we wish to preserve a civilization distinctly Christian.

Dr. C. A. Eaton, of the Presbyterian Church, says, "Your grandchildren will marry the grandchildren of the immigrants now entering our country; therefore study them well, treat them well, and make them what you want your own posterity to be." The saving of these people is as essential to us, for the preservation of both Church and State, as are our efforts for them for their personal salvation and that of their family life. If we could only have such a conception of the value of men, such an enthusiasm for humanity, as Christ had when He said, "Lo, I come to do Thy will," and joyfully gave Himself not for mankind in the mass, but for every man, paying the same price for the blind beggar and for the Magdalene that He did for Nicodemus and Paul; if we could so see our fellow-men, how easy it would be to make sacrifices for them.

Our missionary movements have scarcely touched our mill and mining populations, and the field is open to us for our Church and our Lord, and our responsibilities are greater than those of any other Church on account of our members and our wealth.

* See "Our Country," Rev. Josiah Strong, D. D., chapter VI.

My friend was recently called to dedicate a little church in a coke settlement in the Kanawha Valley, West Virginia. The superintendent here has under him 1,100 men, 450 of whom are Italians, 250 Negroes, 400 native Americans. Besides these men there are 150 Italian families, 100 Negro families, 200 native American families, making a settlement of at least 2,000 people. Up to the time of the building of this little church by the superintendent for the American population, there had been no church building in this settlement and no religious service, not even Catholic. And now, since the little American church has been provided, the Italians (six hundred probably) and the Negroes (probably five hundred more), have no provision made for them. Is it any wonder these people lapse into barbarism? And my informant says this is only one settlement among scores in similar condition on both sides of the Kanawha River for a stretch of fifty miles. Indeed, all through the mining regions the conditions are much the same. No Church, no Sunday-school, and then a generation with no hope and no God.

Why should we be hopeless about our Jewish population? Has not God Himself said, "My tabernacle shall be with them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people?" "They shall have one shepherd, and David My servant shall be their Prince forever." Why does the promise wait its fulfillment? Is it because Prince David lacks witnesses? For, has He not said, "I will draw all men unto Me?"

The needs of our frontier are apparent to all informed persons. The population of our Northeast has changed to a remarkable degree in the last few years. The New Englander has gone West, and the alien has taken his place. Consequently the civilization has changed. If the same ratio of increase obtains in the foreign population of New Hampshire in the present decade as was attained in the decade from 1890 to 1900, in 1910 there will be 231,000 natives and 237,000 aliens. Old-world ideals and customs have taken the place of Puritan ideals and practices. A few years ago there were only two States in the Union that had a smaller per cent of illiteracy than New Hampshire; now it is the twenty-eighth in order.

It is not in the West alone that pastors receive small support. There are eighty-seven Churches in New Hampshire that do not raise over \$500 cash each for the support of their minister; sixty-seven that raise \$400 or less; twenty-seven that raise \$300 or less, and ten that raise \$100 or less. What is true of New Hampshire is largely true of the other New England States. And there is this difference between New England and the West, while the latter is growing rich and strong, the former is constantly growing comparatively weaker. In one district superintendent's district in Maine the Methodist membership has decreased in recent years thirty-one per cent, and our Church, for lack of ministerial support, has been compelled to abandon many charges once having good Churches.*

* See "Our Country, the World's Greatest Need," page 82.

All along our northern border vast ranges of country are without church or preacher, and the people are earnestly asking for missionary help. Many of them are Christian people who are hungering for the Church privileges they have left in the old country or in our own Eastern States. They ought to be given the gospel message and the sacraments of the Church.

The conditions in the Northwest are such as call for most careful study and most generous consideration. The needs in a section growing so rapidly as is this are very great and very insistent, for the planting of Christian institutions can not be delayed, and all plans must have reference from the start to a great future.

Sisters, we must double our membership; there must be no "perhapses" nor "ifs" about this undertaking, for the welfare of generations to come depends upon what we accomplish in the opening of this wonderful century, when cities and States are taking on their character for all future time. We must respond to these needs, and we must do it now.

WHERE HE LEADS WE MUST FOLLOW.

The unrest of the nations means that God is moving among the people. A spirit of initiative, of independent action, of individual responsibility and, therefore, individual freedom has gotten abroad, and it is like the quickening power of the oncoming summer sun. No influence has been so potent to produce this unrest as the freedom and prosperity of the United States. Quietly and silently this heaven has been working from the time of the French Revolution to the latest movement for a constitutional government in far-off Persia. But it is not our politics that has made our country strong or prosperous or the leader of the nations, but that upon which our political fabric is built, the higher law of the Word of God. The message that we must send to the nations is that it is not what they see that makes us great, but the informing spirit which they do not see. We must not let them make the mistake of leaving out of their national policies the two commandments upon which hang all the law and all the prophets.

We now have the golden opportunity of all opportunities since the dawn of creation. The nations are groping in the dark, blindly feeling their way through commotions and war toward the light. "Shall we whose souls are lighted the lamp of life deny?" God arouse us, give us vision, give us enthusiasm, give us consecration, give us power, and the determination, so far as in us lies, to give every man of every nationality a chance. If the Protestant Church is to retain its leadership in this transition period, it must promptly minister to the spiritual needs of these men who are facing towards the light, or some other agency will be raised up.

RELATION OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Because the Master said, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel," there is pressing demand for missionaries and money for the foreign fields, of which Bishop Fowler said, "Not only are the doors open, but all the walls are down." The number who are ready to accept the Christian faith and be baptized into that faith is measured only by the Christian missionaries who can be supplied to teach the converts how to lead a Christian life. The anxious question of the Church is, How shall more missionaries and more means be supplied? And the answer is, By arousing those now in the Church to a practical interest in missionary projects, and by getting the other sixty millions of our eighty millions of population that are outside the Churches converted and actively contributing to missionary enterprises. If we could make active Protestant Christians of the people of all the nationalities that God is sending to us, thus supplying men and means, how our foreign missions would rejoice! Two hundred active, intelligent Christian Negro men and women trained in our schools are needed in Central Africa to-day to counteract the influence of Mohammedan missionaries who are rapidly making the impressible Negroes converts to their faith without changing their lives. Mohammedanism is the greatest obstacle to the Christian faith that the missionary in every Eastern country has to contend against. Shall we let this false faith control the African Negroes, and so delay by a millennium their conversion to Christianity? or shall we prepare and send trained Negro missionaries to establish Christian schools and Christian Churches? What does Christ want us to do?

Since there is a lack of American missionaries to do the work needed in foreign fields, why not seek to prepare from our own population Italian Christians for work in Italy, Sicily, and North Africa, as well as among the Italians of the United States? Why not seek the conversion of the Slav peoples, and make them apostles to their own in this country and in Southern Europe? Why not send the Japanese and the Chinese to their own to preach Christ?

Does the foreign work need money? Why not by the power of the gospel message raise up out of these despised Gentiles a body of Christians who will gladly contribute to missions to their own people? A vigorous prosecution of Home Missions is the answer to the pressing question of advance in foreign fields.

I read that the hand of Jehovah was upon Ezekiel, and he saw in a vision a valley of dry bones. God commanded him to prophesy to the dry bones; and as he did so they came together, bone to bone, and flesh came upon them. And then Jehovah commanded, and the prophet said, "O Spirit, breathe upon these dead that they may live;" and as he prophesied the Spirit came into them, and they lived and stood upon their feet an exceeding great army.

Friends, have we at all comprehended our opportunity and our mis-

sion? The dry bones—poor people as good as we, except for what God has given us that they have not had—are quite “quick” enough to pave our streets, build our railroads, blast out our tunnels and subways, mine our coal fields and make our iron and steel; but who cares for their real life? We read of mine disasters and look over the list of dead, and if the names are the strange unpronounceable ones of the foreigner, we think no further of the matter. Is there never an inspired prophet-teacher, a leader of men, in all the twenty millions of Christians in the land to pray by the mouth of Jehovah with prevailing faith, “O Spirit, breathe upon these dead that they may live?”

The Great American Desert of my geography has disappeared with the coming of the irrigation plant, but the Great American Desert of the geography of my grandchildren is the sixty millions of American citizens that are contributing nothing to the spiritual forces of the nation or the world. When we can turn upon them the exhaustless spiritual irrigating stream of the gospel, how gloriously will this now unproductive waste respond, and we shall have men and money enough for our work in foreign lands.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT.

Five years ago this autumn the Woman's Home Missionary Society found itself, on account of the rapid increase in its work and the necessity for new buildings, with a debt of \$195,000. To meet this obligation there has been paid into the treasury as a special “Silver Offering” \$163,183. The property of the Society, which is your property, now needs repairs. Some of your buildings need enlargement, some of them have been burned and have been rebuilt with a debt, others must be rebuilt; your work is growing as every living, healthy thing is bound to grow, so that we need money for repairs and enlargement, and to meet obligations for additions and repairs already made. To save your property to its highest efficiency we asked last year for an extra fund of \$50,000, an average of a half dollar each for our membership. This sum has not yet been completed, but we expect the full amount the coming year. There can be no doubt but that every woman loyal to the interests of the Society will have the same zealous care for the property she has consecrated to the Master's service as she has for that for which she holds the deeds. An annual half dollar would be an amount so small as not to be thought of for improvements on her own home.

We also asked that every Conference double its membership. This seems a harder task, but when we consider that of the million women and girls in the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States but 126,000 are interested in helping, through the agency of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to make this nation an efficient instrument in bringing the world to Christ, we discover that we have a large field in which to work. Our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is seeking to double its membership, and reports fine progress. There is no reason

why we should not do it, except "Israel doth not know, My people do not consider." This was the complaint of Jehovah in the time of Isaiah, and it is our complaint. How can we make Israel know and bring the people to consider? I beg each Auxiliary to ponder this question and make a practical answer.

USE OF OUR LITERATURE.

But to anticipate I suggest, first, by making women acquainted with our excellent literature. No woman will decline to read a leaflet if it is presented by a friend, with a courteous request; and a leaflet has often won a member and a substantial gift.

Second, by reading our study books. People can not carefully read our study books without being moved to help. Can we not devise a plan by which the women outside our Auxiliaries shall read or hear read our excellent books? Would it not pay any Auxiliary to have several copies of the study book, some of them to be kept moving among women not members of the Auxiliary? What careful preparation the fisherman makes to surprise the cautious fish! "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men," said Christ. May not this message be for us?

Third, by reading *Woman's Home Missions*. Psychology makes much of repetition and the power of habit. Character is but crystallized habit, and herein is seen the value of our periodicals. A paper full of fresh, inspiring Home Missionary facts read regularly from month to month, year after year, must of necessity have an influence in training a generation of women to an interest in Home Missionary work.

Fourth, by attending our meetings. There should never be an Auxiliary meeting but that is instructive enough and spiritual enough to interest and win "a new woman." And there should never be an Auxiliary meeting but that some "new women" are present to be impressed with the need and value of Home Missionary work. If there is no better way I recommend a committee on invitation appointed by the president of the Auxiliary, and changed each month. This committee should be a working force in the Society until every woman of the congregation has been repeatedly invited to the meetings.

Fifth, by prayer. I read this morning:

"Every one that asketh receiveth."

"He that seeketh findeth."

"To him that knocketh it shall be opened."

And I also read, "His word standeth sure."

With the added membership every interest will be advanced and larger things can be undertaken. We can have some land attached to our homes for cows and fowls and vegetables, and so enlarge our scope of teaching the industries. We can have better buildings and more teachers and new centers of work. We can enter the mining fields and

the mill districts with such a ministry as Christ and the apostles practiced, a ministry to both soul and body. The man of Macedonia beckons, but our response waits on the railroad fare, the support of missionaries, and the needed buildings and appliances.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

Several years ago the Church came to the conviction that if it would enlarge the place of its tent it must lengthen its cords and strengthen its stakes by giving more careful attention to its young people. Consequently movements began which culminated in the organization of the Society of the Christian Endeavor, the Epworth League, the Young People's Society of the Baptist Church, and others. Out of these societies has grown the body of Student Volunteers, a distinctively missionary movement. The Mission Study Courses, the Young People's Conferences, and the direct appeals for workers have inspired the young people and developed a marked interest in missions. This volunteer movement, though designed primarily to arouse and instruct young people in regard to Foreign Missions, has extended to Home Missions, so that there have been for several years Home Mission study books and study courses provided by both the Home Boards and the Woman's Boards. The weak link in this chain has been the lack of emphasis put upon the value of the co-operation of these various young people's organizations and the established agencies of the Churches in the support of missionaries already in the field. And now another movement is on to correct this lack and to unify and broaden all young people's missionary movements.

At the Interdenominational Conference of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the United States and Canada, held in Boston, February 24 and 25, 1909, the following series of resolutions was passed:

"Resolved, That we place it on record as our judgment that the approach of the Woman's Missionary Boards to the young women of the schools and colleges is logically and effectively made through the Young Woman's Christian Association and the Student Volunteer Movement.

"Resolved, That we express our approval of the following tentative plan, which is intended to bring into closer relation these organizations, namely:

"Wherever it shall be desired by a Woman's Board, and the conditions within a school or college permit, the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association shall secure the appointment on the missionary committee of the local association of such school or college a member of the denomination represented by such Board, this member to form a point of contact between the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and the young women of that denomination in such school or college, thus making it possible,

"1. To supplement with denominational literature the course of mission study provided by the Student Volunteer Movement.

"2. To place officers of the Woman's Boards in personal touch with the young women, especially the volunteers.

"3. To promote the interests of the Young Women's Christian Association, the Student Volunteer Movement, and the Woman's Boards in such other ways as experience shall show to be possible.

"*Resolved*, That the Committee of Arrangements for the next meeting of this body be requested to give place on the program for a full consideration of further steps to be taken in the effort to relate the work of the Woman's Boards to the Student Volunteer Movement and the missionary department of the Young Women's Christian Association."

I am in receipt of a detailed plan of work based on these resolutions for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which has had the approval of the leaders of both the Student Volunteers and the Young Women's Christian Association. If the Woman's Home Missionary Society of our Church wishes to keep step with this movement it will be well to appoint a standing committee to study methods and plans in order to determine how the Home Missionary interests can be promoted in harmony with those proposed for the foreign field.

It seems hardly necessary to repeat that, if missionary interest, home and foreign, is to increase in the years to come, it will be by interesting and training the young people now, and no pains should be spared to secure this end. This should be done not so much for any present money returns—though these are by no means to be ignored—as for the future, when these girls and young women will be expected to bear the responsibilities of Church life and give character to it. So, my sister, if every young woman or girl connected with your Church or in your district or Conference is not now in some young people's missionary society, let it be your immediate duty to plan to secure her, not primarily for your treasury's sake, but for her own sake and for the Church of to-morrow.

But you say it requires such constant effort to keep young people interested; they start well, and then they get tired and fall out, and finally disband. This is very true; but what are mothers for? Are there no mothers left in Israel?

Mark Guy Pearse, in the *Epworth Herald*, says of a friend that one night in a meeting he took out his watch and, holding it up, said: "When I first had this watch it said, 'Master, what are you going to do with me?' 'Well, I am going to wind you up,' I said. 'It is n't any good, Master, not a bit; I've a horrible habit of running down. I've been wound up scores of time, but it never comes to anything; twenty-four hours afterward I am back in the old place, no spirit left in me.' But I said, 'If I wind you up every night, how then?' 'But you will forget, and it will be such a lot of trouble.' 'No, I will make you this promise: if you will

do the best you can I will wind you up every night.' 'And there it is,' he said, as he held up the watch, 'I can hear it singing its happy song, for each of us has done his part.' Such a covenant between you and your young people will never be broken, and giving them something worthy to do may save them to earnest Christian lives. Who pledges to be faithful in winding the watch? Does any one dare to refuse to accept such a privilege? Suppose you have not attained to your ideal of leadership? Is that a valid excuse? Who has? Dr. Trumbull says: "Suppose my candle is only a short six, and poor quality at that, shall I tuck it away under a bushel because it is not an incandescent lamp? If I have any sort of a light, shall I not let it shine when people are begging for a light to see by?" And he might have added, "I shall surprise myself by discovering unexpected aptitudes," for I read, "To him that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundantly."

DEMAND FOR LEADERS.

There is a universal need for consecrated leaders; not necessarily women of great gifts, but women of earnest purpose; faithful women, who gladly say, "Such as I have give I unto Thee," because they want to be helpful, even though it be in a small way. A man is accepted according to what he hath. You do not expect the same sort of service from your five-year-old that you do from your stalwart grown son; but you do expect equally loving devotion from both. What God wants of us is no excuse, no pride of humility, or self-gratulation in success, but simply self-forgetful, loving proof of our fealty. This we can all render: as leaders if we are needed there, or as subordinates if we are called to such duties. Our Lord has gone to a far country and left us with our opportunities for service; *ten, two, or one*, it may be, "to each according to his several ability; but He will return, and we are each day making our books ready for audit.

THE CALL.

"The Master is here and calleth thee" was no doubt the sweetest message that ever has fallen on a sorrow-stricken heart. The story adds, "And she arose quickly and went."

There are sorrowing and burdened hearts here to-night and among our women who are not here; and is not the Master sending word to them by some loved messenger, "I am come, and call for thee?" He knows that our burdens, of whatever sort, will be lightened by letting Him help to bear them while we enter into partnership of duty with Him.

And may not the message be as true to every Christian woman, "The Master is here and calleth thee?" Does He not come in the person of His needy ones? and does He not call for help in caring for them? If we could only ascend in an air-chariot high enough, and have vision clear enough, to see all the sin and suffering in all the earth, the mobs, the

battlefields, the accidents and suicides, the hunger and the death, the despair and the torments worse than death, if we could see all this as God sees it, and had a sense of all the pain of all the world as God feels it, would we not run as Christ ran to its relief? "When He saw the multitudes He was moved with compassion for them because they were distressed and scattered as sheep having no shepherd."

This is the vision we must try to get: a sense of the need of men, a realization that a large proportion of mankind are already in the place of the lost without God (can you think what that would be?) and without hope (can you realize what that is?) and still in the world of sin and pain, and that there is but a little time left for rescue. With this vision our very souls will cry out in an agony of sympathy, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?"

We talk much of the joy of service, and there is joy in duty done; but is it not time that we forget ourselves? No matter about joy or satisfaction or reward. The house is burning, and the inmates must be saved; the ship is sinking, and the passengers must be rescued; the mine is wrecked, and the imprisoned miners must be released; the battle is on, and the victory must be won. It is the violence that takes by force that is needed now, the joy will come later. Are we ready to enlist to serve "till the end of the war" in this conflict with the powers of darkness that sometimes seem to have control? And who will go out as recruiting sergeants for this army of invincibles? "The Master is here and calleth thee" was and is the message, "and she arose quickly and went."

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

CONFERENCES.	No. of Organizations.	STATISTICAL REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP.						Whole No. Life Members	Honorary Managers	Honorary Patrons..	Woman's Home Missions	Children's Home Missions
		Auxiliaries	Circles	Home Guards	Jewels	Reading Circles	New Life Members					
Alabama.....	2	44	16		63	2					85	49
Arizona.....	9	170										
Arkansas.....	3	52					3	5				
Atlanta.....	15	100										
Austin.....	3	13										
Baltimore.....	63	2648	607	223	211	245	57		11	4	946	1131
Blue Ridge.....												
California.....	45	1250	359	62	308	164					402	236
Central Alabama.....	12											
Central Illinois.....	44	1309	278	96	85						426	55
Central Missouri.....	7	150	50	50							12	30
Central New York.....	84	3189	598	261	1140	271	15	386	6	1	1018	372
Central Ohio.....	79	2915	778	366	380	380	5	208	11	7	871	295
Central Pennsylvania.....	48	1549	576	73	652	121		135		18	526	517
Central Swedish.....	11	222										
Central Tennessee.....												
Cincinnati.....	67	2367	650	268	1579	167	3	472	39	17	676	378
Colorado.....	50	1391	377	69	300	156		47	2		514	168
Columbia River.....	4	216		1			1	7			58	
Dakota.....	4	85										
Delaware.....	20	424	78	46	41	30						
Des Moines.....	82	2402	512	219	433	84		18	2		75	33
Detroit.....	119	3964	839	133	702	253		139	35		865	433
East Maine.....	6	144						4			1676	754
East Ohio.....	80	2578	676	168	805	177	4	194	15	3	846	310
East Swedish.....	1	11										
East Tennessee.....	4	55										
Elric.....	82	2911	645	192	381		2	257	10	1	973	574
Florida.....	2	35						12				
Genesee.....	77	2611	361	82	729	83	4	132	6	14	781	983
Georgia.....	1	2										
Gulf.....	1	75						1	1			
Holston.....	9	334	75	76	139		1	9			172	105
Illino.....	2	65										
Illinois.....	61	2173	683	65	212	92		29	4	1	640	60
Indiana.....	53	2382	337	121	1140	153		141	4		657	209
Iowa.....	44	1697	263	91	216			20	1		472	171
Kansas.....	36	962	291	137	248			26	2		473	94

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		Auxil- iaries.	Circles	Home Guards	Jewels	Read- ing Circles						
Kentucky.....	6	245	66	22	36	1					51	26
Lexington.....	16	200	30	24	26						11	7
Lincoln.....												
Little Rock.....	8	65										
Louisiana.....	6	60										
Maine.....	47	1036	293	296	408						268	388
Michigan.....	73	2157	353	210	396	19		40	122		791	288
Minnesota.....	29	656	580	62	380	42		50			259	221
Mississippi.....	2	39										
Missouri.....	1	2										
Montana.....	3	65			13						29	10
Nebraska.....	54	1531	350	55	296	10		3			407	42
Nevada.....	1	25										
Newark.....	60	2523	325	112	682	76		1	129	5	845	489
New England.....	68	1972	595		1051	98		1	397	35	703	430
New England Southern.....	37	1065	87	16	264				73	18	352	339
New Hampshire.....	33	707	138	75	355				14	4	209	183
New Jersey.....	55	2593	484	118	504	53			48	3	366	170
New Mexico.....	10	186						2				
New Mexico—(English).....												
New Mexico—(Spanish).....												
New York.....	38	1342							22	8	395	226
New York East.....	39	1968	525	66	190	192		2	33	3	577	342
North Carolina.....	4	75										
North Dakota.....	13	253	158	30	12						96	20
North Indiana.....	77	2648	620	142	569	265		6	126	2	895	365
North Nebraska.....	29	768	150	62	136	76			6		301	115
North Ohio.....	56	1938	402	152	333				267		575	129
Northern Minnesota.....	33	978	123	28	234						399	302
Northern New York.....	92	2658	225	112	542	89		2	63	9	895	483
Northwest Indiana.....	55	1611	371	137	216	69			61		464	183
Northwest Iowa.....	70	1899	51	144	168			6	84	5	677	300
Northwest Kansas.....	38	575	120	10	212						400	292
Northwest Nebraska.....	1	5										
Ohio.....	49	2235	455	225	314	145		4	323	10	646	277
Oklahoma.....	19	400	51	60	25	24					123	28
Oregon.....	29	1025	93	70	176	12					184	96
Philadelphia.....	52	2308	361	125	302	93			215	42	556	175

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		Auxiliaries	Circles	Home Guards	Jewels	Reading Circles					
Pittsburg	76	3274	171	134	416	101	3	183	12	1	580
Puget Sound	28	879	130	177	101	242	.....	1	.....	1081	281
Rock River	102	3834	698	702	2114	413	1	164	35	11	435
Savannah	4	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200
St John's River	2	41	19	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St Louis	18	655	230	78	27	22	.....	.....	.....	28	10
South Carolina	1	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190	14
South Florida Mission	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Kansas	21	509	219	12	.....	25	.....	2	.....	240	30
Southern California	101	3614	621	140	1071	.....	.....	51	15	692	641
Southern Illinois	33	879	233	137	96	.....	2	11	3	297	89
Southwest Kansas	43	1400	570	80	614	79	2	160	2	558	250
Texas	8	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....
Tennessee	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Troy	1	2143	996	196	183	72	17	258	19	535	148
Upper Iowa	60	2010	181	140	328	107	1	226	14	732	235
Upper Mississippi	5	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Utah Mission	6	81	12	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vermont	38	732	130	134	145	.....	.....	55	8	235	122
Virginia .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington	16	328	7	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	30	.....
West Nebraska	6	187	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Texas	25	149	58	.....	35	.....	.....	7	.....	7	4
West Virginia	20	746	191	60	67	72	.....	.....	.....	223	31
West Wisconsin	17	434	59	52	96	.....	.....	42	.....	194	228
Wilmington	20	1084	155	66	392	20	.....	11	.....	202	95
Wisconsin	28	658	110	20	27	.....	.....	2	.....	194	36
Wyoming	59	1971	151	185	1143	30	1	142	5	594	172
Wyoming Mission	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Not reported by Conf. Secretaries.....	.....	71	1,717	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2884	1856
Totals.....	3,250	104,156	22,643	7,434	24,533	4,828	87	5,689	415	90	17,880

REPORTS FROM BUREAUS.

GEORGIA.

Thayer Home, Atlanta, Ga.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

The last year passed much like those which preceded it. It was a year of hard work, of close economy, and of steady struggle with the same adverse conditions which have confronted us for some time past. We are constantly oppressed with a sense of restricted usefulness because of a lack of sufficient room, and the necessary appliances for the full development of the work. We are still firm in the belief, however, that in the near future a conviction of the great need of an advanced Training-school for Negro girls will so fasten itself upon some heart, or hearts, that all the money necessary to build and equip it will come into the treasury for this purpose. After all the years of work among this people, it is no wonder that a small army of young women is waiting and eager for this advanced training which will qualify them to enter places of usefulness which they can not now fill. All our other wards can come into our regular Training-schools to get this equipment for higher service. But the girl with black skin is shut out from these, and unless a special one is provided for her she is helpless in her struggle for advancement. There is only one other way open to her, and that is to seek in other Churches the help denied by her own. I am of the opinion that our denominational pride should stand in the way of forcing her to this alternative.

When this project was first considered, an appropriation of \$25,000 was asked for, as an approximate sum with which to do the work. When plans were matured, however, this sum was found insufficient. As the six and more years have gone along and the needs have increased, we are now satisfied that double the amount will be needed to put up and furnish such a building as the work demands and that will stand as a credit to the Society. Atlanta is pre-eminently the location for this Training-school, and while other denominations have their work so well housed in that city, we can hardly afford to take an inferior place. The cost of all building materials has greatly advanced these last years, as well as the price of labor in all building trades. If we do this work, and do it well, it will prove our firmness in the principle that we make no distinction on account of color.

A fine class of young women has gone out from this Home each year, and the class of 1909 is no exception, but will do full credit to the training received.

The expense of this work, including its mission work, was \$3,612.86. There was received from the board of students \$1,275.12, from teachers \$500, and from industrial classes \$315. From the Society was received in Student Aid and Special, \$2,399.58. I think some part of this will be found to belong with the Building Fund. Toward the latter fund I have received over \$7,000.

Haven Home, Savannah, Ga.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

Much of the year there were over fifty girls in this Home, and the day school was crowded with boys and girls, from the kindergarten to the last grade. The ninth grade was inaugurated, and promises to be a success. Our force of workers was unchanged, and the only drawback to the work was the money stringency. I had asked for \$300 with which to repair roof and building. This was granted conditionally, but as only \$100 of it came into the treasury it was necessary to meet these bills from money given and needed for house expenses. As we fell short in the other appropriations, our Superintendent was all the year working against hard conditions. Of the appropriations made at the Annual Meeting for Student Aid and for repairs, we received but \$889.07. We were promised \$900 in Student Aid alone, and it was all needed. The income of both Home and school were better than last year, and but for this we would have had a serious deficiency. On the other hand, had we received all that was promised, we would have had some to begin another year.

Our girls paid into the Home for board \$1,322.80, and the income from day school and music classes was \$534.75. Everything is high in price, and our expenses, outside of repairs, were \$2,694.47. This year we must have a fire-escape erected, and I trust some one will give the money for it. Each year as buildings crowd closer to our lot, the danger from fire increases, and our narrow, closed stairways would not permit escape if fire should occur in the night. This matter should not be delayed longer.

We have reason for gratitude that there were no deaths or serious illnesses, though the usual epidemics prevailed.

The years as they go by furnish cumulative evidence of the value of this work. The girls going from this Home either pass on into more advanced work, or become self-supporting as teachers in country schools, or find places as seamstresses or housemaids. They are well spoken of. When they marry they establish clean, thrifty homes, and are so proud when they can bring their own little ones to our school. They always come with money in hand to pay in advance, often having earned it themselves. Haven Home has been not only a lighthouse, but a life-saving station to hundreds of these girls; but it must not be forgotten that it is still a mission station, and will be for many years to come.

Speedwell Home, near Savannah, Ga.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

The last year has been a repetition of former ones in work and methods. There is little opportunity to vary, but the same instruction is given each year to a new set of children. There is no other school for Negro children within several miles, so that ours is well patronized, and every child pays something for tuition. If they can not bring money, they are allowed to bring wood, produce, or work. A spirit of self-help is thus being steadily cultivated, and the character of the locality correspondingly elevated. There has been a wonderful change in all the neighborhood since our work was opened there. Miss Troutner is still suffering with her eyes, but has been able to look well after all details. The income from board, tuition, and other sources was \$308.85. From the Society was received for Student Aid and current expenses, \$128—only a part of that promised.

MRS. G. E. PALEN, Secretary.

FLORIDA.**Boylan Home, Jacksonville, Fla.**

(Scholarship, \$50.)

Boylan Home and School is located near the center of the city of Jacksonville, Fla., but provided with very poor buildings and equipment.

We are confidently expecting in the near future to be able to build on our new site—a splendid location in the eastern part of the city, with a lot 210 x 420 feet. Plans are now being prepared for a modern building, where we trust to have room to carry forward all lines of industrial work.

The past year was one of unusual interest, and the faithful toilers garnered a fruitage which was most gratifying. We had forty earnest, ambitious girls in the Home, with an average of two hundred in the day school. The graduating class consisted of fourteen well-cultured, and, we trust, Christian girls, whose lives will count for uplift and righteousness. The "Cap and Gown" was adopted as the graduating day costume. The young women presented a fine appearance and accredited themselves well.

Miss Losee, our efficient principal, is ambitious for "the best," and is raising the standard, and the past year is pronounced as the best in the history of the Home. Several leaflets on the work of the Florida Bureau have been prepared, which will be of interest to friends and helpful to Auxiliaries.

Boylan has been quite unfortunate the past summer, having been broken into and robbed twice during vacation. Bedding, table linen, etc., many things which must be replaced at once. We will be very grateful to any Auxiliary who will aid us, and will appreciate assistance in replacing these lost articles. This appeal is urgent.

Faith Cottage Settlement Work.

The Settlement School in West Jacksonville is located in a somewhat isolated and neglected part of Jacksonville, near the turpentine factories. This Christian school, with its helpful, uplifting influence, not only seeks to elevate and culture the pupils under our care, but it also exerts a most wholesome influence throughout the community, stimulating to truer, nobler living. It is certainly a valuable asset to the locality. While the conditions are changing somewhat, we have had about the usual number of scholars the past year, and faithful instruction has been given.

Brewster Hospital.

Brewster Hospital is located on the same campus with Boylan Home, and has been "The Angel of Mercy" to many afflicted people. A more full report will be found under "Hospital Reports."

Emerson Home and School, Ocala, Fla.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

At Emerson we have had an average of thirty-five in the Home, and with our tried and true Miss C. M. Buckbee, our efficient Superintendent, and her two assistants, the work in both Home and school has moved forward with commendable success.

Our General Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, and I visited a number of the Homes in the South, but gave special attention to the Florida Bureau. At Emerson we found that the crowded condition compelled the utilizing of the dining-room for a class-room, which was very inconvenient. We at once began to plan to enlarge the school-room by placing wide folding doors into the kitchen, which gives us a large chapel and class-room, and which can be thrown open to accommodate our friends on special days. A new kitchen has been built directly back of the dining-room, making a much more convenient arrangement than the old plan. This is all completed and ready for use.

This much-needed improvement has been made possible by the generous bequest of Emerson's true friend, Mrs. Whetstone. The bequest does not nearly provide for all the expense, so that it is necessary and imperative that we have our full appropriation for both current expense and repairs. The building needs paint badly, and should have it at once to protect the property. With these needed improvements our Ocala property will be in excellent condition and well equipped to carry forward our share of the work and responsibility as committed to us by "our Master."

We regret that we are limited as to room, for we should be glad to take in all the worthy applicants who are anxious to prepare themselves for usefulness in life. With added facilities we are trusting that under our Father's guiding hand we shall witness the largest results not only in intellectual training, but in Christian culture and well-rounded development of any year in the history of the school.

MRS. L. H. BUNYAN, *Secretary.*

EAST CENTRAL STATES.

The work of this Bureau comprises Allen Home and Lurandus Beach Industrial School, at Asheville, N. C., and the Browning Home and Mather Academy, at Camden, S. C.

Allen Home and Lurandus Beach Industrial School, South Carolina.

(Scholarship, \$50.

At Allen Home we have had the largest number of resident pupils ever received, and I am glad to say that we have had a larger number of self-supporting girls than ever before. This not only indicates a growing appreciation on the part of the colored people of the benefit received through the training, but it makes it nearer possible to maintain the work on the lessened support that all work for colored people is now receiving from the General Society.

Most excellent progress has been made in all departments of work and study. The teachers have been faithful and devoted, and we had a very superior graduating class. During last year all the work was carried with the least possible expenditure, but the special pledges were so fully redeemed that during the summer we were able to make improvements that had been long waiting. Sanitary improvements ordered by the city will be made during this year, and the cost of these has been

provided in the appropriation. But a recent ordering of fire escapes made by the city government has not been provided for. Whether I shall be able to defer this another year by some concession on the part of the authorities, I do not know. The usual lines of religious work in connection with the little church which is the outgrowth of our work has been well sustained in the Epworth League and Sabbath School by our teachers and pupils.

Browning Home and Mather Academy.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

The enrollment at Mather Academy has averaged about two hundred boys and girls, with sixty-eight girls resident in Browning Home.

In the plantation schools at Ephesus and Wesley we are reaching several hundreds of people—men, women, and children—with religious and some industrial training.

The influence of the work here is far-reaching. For many years we have been supplying many of the teachers in the schools in the rural districts about Camden, and our boys find profitable employment in business houses and hotels. Several have passed the civil service examination, and are in Government employ.

During the past year we have had the service of Mrs. E. M. Stewart, of Providence, R. I., as Superintendent. She was one of the ladies who participated in the establishment of this work many years since, and her intelligent care of the work has been of large benefit.

The industrial building started a year since has been gradually coming to completion, but is not entirely finished. The plans were enlarged, and when completed we shall have a building which will serve for all industrial work for many years. The slowness in completion is owing to the fact that we are building without appropriation of the Society, and could go no farther than the small savings of years from tuition and gifts from tourists would permit.

There is no debt upon the building, which, up to this present time, has cost a little over \$2,000, exclusive of the plumbing, which was provided for on an appropriation of last year for sanitary improvements.

The furnace, for which you so generously provided last year at the Annual Meeting, has been installed. But you may judge of my dismay when I found that in order to conserve the heat in the pipes a brick foundation must be placed under nearly the entire building at a cost of \$350, and that no provision had been made for this. But the foundation is there, and it has been paid for out of these same small savings.

The usual revival services which we always arrange for, and which are carried on by our own teachers alone, resulted in the conversion of all the girls in the Home, and most of the pupils in the school.

It is a significant fact that at this time, when the morality of the colored race is so questioned, there have been congregated here through many years between two and three hundred boys and girls, and neither during the past year, or any other year in its history, has there been a serious breach of the very strict discipline of the school. We think it has been demonstrated here what Christian education can do for the Negro race, not only in the development of the mental faculties, but also in the restraining of all vicious tendencies.

Mrs. E. L. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

WEST CENTRAL STATES.

The Elizabeth Ritter Home and Caroline Frazer Hall.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

Reported by Mrs. DELIA L. WILLIAMS.

This has been one of the best years in the history of the Elizabeth Ritter Home. There have been ninety-eight girls enrolled, and they have been girls of unusual excellence. The new wing, "Caroline Frazer Hall," has been a fine addition to our comfort and convenience. Every room was filled and sixty-two girls turned away. The new steam heating plant has been all we anticipated, both as to labor and economy, and the electric lighting has relieved the Superintendent of all anxiety about fires. There are no fires now in the house, except in the kitchen range and the baker. In the vacation we were able by our economies to ceil what had been our wood room and put in a cement floor, so making a good bread and pastry room adjoining the kitchen, so this department of our work is now well provided for.

For several years one of our pupils has paid her way by bringing a cow, so it became necessary to have a place to keep her. The Superintendent, Mrs. Chapman, found a lot with a small barn on it, across the street from the campus, on the east, which she purchased for \$100. The school has had the use of the lot for sixteen years. At the opening of the present year Mrs. Chapman deeded it to the Woman's Home Missionary Society for just what she had paid for it, although she had been offered twice the amount. We now have the deed to three pieces of property for the use of this Home, all of which are valuable.

New Jersey Conference Home, Morristown, Tenn.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

This Home is still favored in having the right woman in the right place, for this year has been no exception to the previous record made by Miss Johnson as Superintendent.

In systematic and careful oversight of each detail of the work she has few superiors; rest and quiet came to her this year by remaining in the Home during the vacation period, together with one of the younger girls in our family who would otherwise have been homeless and friendless, neither of whom were fed from Home Missionary manna. They proved good caretakers, and the delightful sunsets which are not to be equaled in a less mountainous region, and the seclusion not to be found in the workday world, proved a good tonic for tired nerves. This inattention also afforded Miss Johnson the opportunity to do Home Missionary work in another line, with the result of the organization of several Auxiliaries.

Miss Gertrude Clark, our sewing teacher, is doing good work, and deserves much credit for her persistent effort not only for her own education, but helpfulness to other members of her family.

A permanent improvement of a concrete walk, together with grading and sodding, and some minor repairs, perhaps justifies the pride of the Superintendent in hearing it spoken of as one of the prettiest places in Morristown.

But, better still, let me take you into our library, books and fur-

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nishings given by the good women of New Jersey Conference, the influence of which will, we trust, pass out with each girl to mold other lives which have not been equally favored.

Other benefits have been gratefully received, and while reported hard times and short crops cause forebodings that are a little depressing, we are planning with the help of the great Master Builder to make still greater progress than we have yet attained.

Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

True to real life, light and shadow have crossed the threshold of this Home during the year, but the good far outweighs that which we might deplore, and we count it a successful year, hoping if misfortune may have overtaken some, others have learned lessons of wisdom and profit. The Superintendent, Mrs. Colburn, and her associate as sewing teacher, Miss Hodge, have put forth faithful effort with good results.

The gift of a new piano at Christmas brought much good cheer into the Home. One of the girls struck the keynote in a letter written, saying, "It will greatly aid us in singing the praises of God."

Another encouraging feature, a self-denial fund, made possible a fresh coat of paint, paper upon the walls, and a new rug for the room the piano occupies, and while the teachers shared largely in this, each girl did something.

The crowning glory of the year? I will tell you what it is. A Queen Esther Circle organized and in good working condition. We sow the seed, which we sometimes feel is so slowly taking root, but if we can send out these girls prepared to meet the obligations of life and endowed with the missionary spirit, the hundred-fold is sure to follow.

Most thankfully do I acknowledge the aid given me in caring for this work, and I trust with the blessing of God, and your hearty co-operation, to raise the standard a little higher this coming year.

- "Life is a leaf of paper white,
Whereupon each one of us may write
His word or two, and *then* comes night.
Greatly begin! Though thou have time
But for a line, be that sublime;
Not failure, but low aim is crime."

MRS. H. T. DENNIS, *Secretary*.

MISSISSIPPI.

E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

With the enlargement of the building and the household of fifty girls and three teachers, the running expenses were greatly increased. Also the responsibility of those in charge; but it was a happy family, and successful work was done in all departments.

For the ensuing year there will be needed additional supplies of bedroom furniture and bedding, such as sheets, pillows, pillow slips, and cotton blankets.

The furnace for which pledges were made at the Philadelphia meeting last fall have not all been paid, and it will not be possible to put in a heater for the amount of money asked for at that time, therefore this work can not be done this fall, and we ask for two hundred dollars more for the furnace.

The number of girls who are pleading for a chance in Rust Home is so large that we ask for fifteen scholarships, and trust that the Conferences will be willing to give pledges for this number.

Miss M. Ella Becker, our faithful and efficient superintendent for the last five years, with her assistant, Miss Rebecca Barbour, have returned for the ensuing year.

The work opened October 1, 1909.

Bennett Home and School, Clarkson, Miss.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

During the last two years so great has been the development along all lines, that we can hardly realize that it is the same place it was ten years ago.

Bennett Home has had a new coat of paint, the Academy Building has been enlarged, the President's Cottage remodeled, and some improvements made at Dickson Hall.

The electric lighting system is completed, so that all the buildings and grounds are well lighted. Two fruit orchards have been planted and two vineyards set out, and considerable agricultural work has been done; all this outside of the work done in the Home and school.

The scholastic standard last year in Bennett Academy was higher than any previous year; seven graduates were sent out, all young men.

The year closed with all bills paid and a small balance in the hands of the Bureau's secretary.

September 1st the new year opened auspiciously with Professor Wertenberger in charge of the whole work, and Mr. D. J. Kunkelman, principal of the Academy, with four teachers in the different departments.

A graduated physician, Miss Amelia J. Prior, has been secured for superintendent of Bennett Home, and her assistant in the Sewing Department is Miss Edna Cockrell.

Already the Home and Dickson Hall are quite full, and we will not be able to admit many who have applied.

Will not the friends of this important and aggressive school pledge liberally? Twenty-five scholarships are asked for—fifty dollars each. Five hundred dollars for current expenses. Three hundred dollars for improvements.

The new water system is being put in, and one thousand dollars is needed to complete this, only three hundred dollars of which has been secured.

MRS. HENRY C. HEDGES, *Secretary*.

WEST SOUTHERN STATES.

The work of the four departments in the Bureau for West Southern States has gone steadily forward—not that we have accomplished all we hoped to—but we have made advancement.

Adeline Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

During the past year many changes have been made in this Home. The house that was given by us was moved back and connected with the Home, to be used as a storeroom and laundry. This left us a good yard, which had to be filled in and graded. New fences were built and flowers planted. Now we have a nice campus where our girls can play, and only those who have been without the privilege of a yard can understand what this means to us.

The Home was painted outside, and all the rooms and halls have been papered and painted, and other very necessary repairs have been made. The dining-room has also been painted and papered, and a new table and chairs, so badly needed, have been purchased. Our latest gift is a sideboard, also many yards of matting, which will be used in the halls.

Our rooms have all been occupied—eighty-five girls having the benefit of the Home training and care so necessary, and I am happy to say that they respond very beautifully to the help Mrs. Nasmyth tries to give them.

We are always anxious to know of the financial part of our work, and often wonder if those we are trying to help are willing to help themselves. So I am sure you will be pleased to know that we have paid half (lacking \$6.04) of our running expenses. Mrs. Nasmyth received from the Society \$2,580, and our self-help was \$2,574. When we consider the hard times and the poverty of many of these people, I think this is doing very well.

Queen Esthers and Home Guards.

Our girls are very earnest in their Christian lives, and our Queen Esthers and Home Guards deserve great credit for their work during the past year. Their meetings are very interesting, and all the literary work is done by the girls.

They have been very successful financially also, and have raised \$229.50; the Queen Esther girls, \$153; the Home Guards, \$76.50, most of which has been applied on the improvements made at the Home.

When we consider that all of the work of this large family is done by the girls; bread-baking, washing, ironing, housework, etc., that lessons must be prepared, Sunday-school, League and Church services attended, we know our girls are busy, and this extra work is a great credit to them and their untiring Superintendent.

Peck Home, New Orleans.

For many years we have read of Peck Home, and I am hoping that by another year we will have the Home; but for the past twelve years our work here has been done in connection with the New Orleans University.

Miss Lulu Wilcox is the very efficient Superintendent of this industrial work. Over one hundred and twenty girls have been enrolled in the sewing classes, and the boys have also had the advantage of this training in the grade schools. The classes are well graded, and the regular course for Domestic Art is being followed.

The Domestic Science department was in charge of Miss Nellie La-Porte. In addition to the regular course, practical work in preparing and serving meals (to which members of the Faculty were invited) was

given each month. After the Christmas holidays a domestic science class for young men was opened, and many availed themselves of the privilege, feeling sure it would help them in getting places as second cook on Diners.

I am delighted with this work, but one only needs to look over this field to see the great need of a Home, and the training our girls would receive in one.

So when I repeat what I have said before, that the need of rebuilding Peck Home is imperative, I am sure you will pardon me. We would not feel for a moment that we could get along without our Thayer, King, Adeline Smith Homes, and these girls of Louisiana need the Home training and its influence just as much as it is possible for the girls of other States to. So let me urge you to help in this work of rebuilding Peck Home the coming year.

Italian Work.

Here in New Orleans are nearly fifty thousand Italians, and for the first time in several years we have had a special worker among them. The money for this work has been raised by special gifts of Epworth Leagues and friends, for we were told we could not have a worker unless money was raised outside of the regular apportionment. Miss Marie Bardshae, of Mt. Hope, Kan., was secured, and has proven herself to be the right one for the work.

The days have been spent in visiting (229 calls are reported), sewing classes, in which more than eighty children were enrolled, night school, music lessons, and the hundred or other things that come into a missionary's life. It is not an easy thing for a young woman to leave home and go and live alone among an alien people, and the need of another worker for this needy field is very great. Who will help us?

Our English missionary, Miss Eliza Page, is a very busy and untiring worker. Many calls have been made, especially on strangers, the sick and needy; letters have been written, visits to public institutions, and other things, too numerous to mention, have taken up the time of this valuable worker. She has also given very timely help to Miss Bardshae in the Italian work.

The outlook for the work in the West Southern States for the coming year is bright, but I wish I might impress upon our ladies the great need for more workers and more money to enlarge our work in Louisiana. Again I say, this is a field we occupy, but do not possess; but the time has come when we must take this land for our Christ. Will you not help us?

MRS. E. L. KNOTSMAN, *Secretary*.

TEXAS.

Under the blessing of God the year has been crowned with prosperity. During the winter there was much illness among students and teachers. An epidemic of tonsillitis prevailed for some weeks. One death resulted, and also another from pneumonia after the close of the school. Miss Robertson was detained about two weeks to care for this student. The teachers have been faithful and efficient. It is with great regret that we have to report that Miss Robertson was compelled to resign on account of ill-health. She has not recovered fully from the attack of tonsillitis. Mrs. L. A. Van Houten has accepted the position of Super-

intendent, and Miss Nellie M. La Porte will be in the sewing department and Assistant Superintendent. Misses Tolin and Tedrick return to their respective positions.

King Home, Marshall, Texas.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

There were thirty-nine graduates at King Home. One could not look into the faces of these girls without feeling a sense of pride in their development. There is a most pressing need for domestic science rooms. We must have them. Who will help? Sisters, please do not forget this plea, because it has been made so often.

Eliza Dee Home, Austin, Texas.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

Twenty-eight finished the different courses in the Eliza Dee Home. The school can not grow for want of room. Here, too, our needs are great and pressing. We have no place at all for our industrial classes. Were it not for the great kindness of the Samuel Huston College, we could only keep a boarding-house. We must have a wing and better accommodations. I have asked that a building for Eliza Dee Home be the next to receive money from the building fund. I am sure that there is no other Home so needy. I have gathered a small amount, but must have at least \$10,000 before we begin to build. What can we do under such embarrassments? You will surely help us to rise up and build.

In these Homes habits of industry are inculcated, economy practiced, knowledge is being imparted, and character developed, the four cardinal principles of any symmetrical development.

The Negro's ability to learn is no longer doubted except by a superficial observer. The danger-line in Negro education is not so much in his education as in the lack of it. Knowledge is power, but ignorance, too, is power. Ignorance may destroy in a day what knowledge reared in a century.

Education enhances the Negro's power as an economic factor the same as it does for a white man.

The times demand skilled workmen. Even in the digging of a ditch now there is science. The great mass of mankind, black or white, will never enter the so-called higher walks of life—the fine arts and the professions. The demand is for intelligent, conscientious workers in every field, but chiefly in physical and manual labor. Upon patient, persistent effort, health, home, and the family rest. Our brother in black ought to have the largest liberty to develop hand and brain and heart.

In the near future he must furnish the teachers for his race, and they need the equipment of the broadest culture of intellect and character to fit them for the task of uplifting a race from ignorance and degradation.

To-day there are indications of a reaction of sentiment towards the Negro in the North. It is seen in cases here and there like Hyde Park and other communities.

Nothing is so blinding as race prejudice. We hear of the Indian question, the immigrant question, the Chinese and Japanese question, the Negro question, and the yellow peril. But no one whose vision is bounded by color or race can come in contact with that breadth of thought which is highest and best.

Only he who has world-wide sympathies and whose vision, thoughts, and plans take in humanity, can reach the broadest and highest plane of usefulness in life. There is no defense or security for any of us in a republic except in the highest intelligence and broadest development for all. There is no escape through the law of man or God from the inevitable.

"The laws of changeless justice bind
Oppressor with oppressed,
And close as sin and suffering joined,
We march to fate abreast."

In the economy of God there is but one law by which individuals, races, or nations can succeed. And that law is righteousness and obedience to the divine will.

In our land the American standard is the measure by which all must be tested; and it is largely intellectual and economic. The Negro will rise or fall as he measures up to this shibboleth.

This race is now passing through the crucible. There is much dross to be eliminated, and the burning fire of the testing process will be painful and slow. They are to be tested in the moral qualities of patience, forbearance, perseverance, power to endure wrong and to withstand temptation, and the economic qualities of economy, thrift, and skill, and to compete with a race which has a thousand years' start and far superior in training and knowledge, and yet side by side in competition. Vast and almost hopeless undertaking; yet there are twenty million hands outstretched to us asking our help.

I bespeak your interest, your sympathy, your moral support, your gifts, and your prayers, and pray you to come over to Africa in America, and help us make these Homes which we have established great centers of light and influence which will result in Christian mothers, Christian homes, and Christian character, the surest and only defense of a nation.

MRS. L. G. MURPHY, *Secretary*.

WHITE WORK IN ALABAMA AND NORTH CAROLINA

There is no work of our Woman's Home Missionary Society which pays a larger interest on the investment than the work among the mountaineers of the South.

These native born boys and girls, with the breath of the hills upon them, come seeking a chance to learn something of the higher privileges of life than they have found in their isolated homes. With ready minds and willing hands they grasp these opportunities, and in an incredibly short time are ready to pass them on to others as eager as themselves.

During the eight short years of McCleskey Home life, Boaz, Ala., five hundred girls have gone out from under its influence to scatter the seeds of truth and right living. In spite of fire and hardships, the work has prospered, and the coming year will test the capacity of the Home.

Each year adds to the number of our girls going out into school and missionary work.

Only a small debt remains upon this Home, but that stands in the way of better equipment. Our rooms are not all furnished, but we have faith to believe that the coming year will bring all these things to pass, and this Home upon the mountain-top will send its light and blessing into many dark corners, turning hearts unto Him as well as lifting lives up on a higher plane.

Mitchell Home.

A new Mitchell Home is now under construction, and for reasons we are sure you would approve, it is located at Meisenheimer, N. C. This is a very little town near Salisbury, and the center of the State, with good railway facilities. A more needy spot could not have been selected, and it is highly commended by the clergy of the Blue Ridge and Atlantic Mission Conferences, and they are hoping for great good to come from this central location. There were many offers of land, but most of them were so inaccessible that we could not recommend them. Many of the old students will return, and the new Home will have more than it can hold—waiting and anxiously waiting for its doors to open. We have some here who have no other home, but were able to place them on farms during the summer.

This Home needs and deserves all the help that you can give it. There will be empty rooms to furnish and a debt to be paid. We fully expected to have on hand what was needed to build this Home, but were sorely disappointed. We could not delay the building without bringing discredit upon the Society, and we could not carry on the work where we were, so there was no alternative. But we feel assured that He, in whose name we serve, will not withhold His bounty from this corner of His vineyard.

MRS. O. P. McCARTY, *Secretary.*

MRS. W. F. ROBERTSON, *Associate Secretary.*

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS.**Settlement Work at Cedartown.**

Number of pupils enrolled in day school.....	81
Did not have night school this summer.	
Number of enrollment in Sunday-school	125
Number of prayer-meetings held	30
Number of attendance at prayer-meeting	75-90
Number of revival services	1
Number of converts	80
Number who have united with the Church here.....	38
Number of visits to the sick	95
Number of calls made	360
Money collected, Mill Co., for August.....	\$20.00
Tuition	43.90
Collections	7.25
Amount received for compensation	15.00

Gena.

Number of days taught in day school.....	92
No night school this summer.	

MRS. DELIA L. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

UTAH.

With great thankfulness to the One who "never slumbers nor sleeps" the report of the Utah Bureau is presented. At the close of all the years of the work of our Society in Utah, it has been said, "Never was there a time in the history of this work when the promise was so great or the opposition so alert." The hopefulness and faith abiding through all the years are intensified in the outlook of to-day. All of this shows that the dominant power in this field has a vulnerable point, and, if like Achilles, it proves to be in the heel, the vitals must sooner or later be reached.

Our Society has maintained work in nine stations during the year: Salt Lake City, Logan, Ogden, Provo, Mt. Pleasant, Moroni, Spring City, Elsinore, and for a few months in Ephraim.

Deaconesses.

SALT LAKE CITY.

In our Davis Deaconess Home we have had our full quota of deaconesses, save one, with our faithful Miss Robinson at the head as Superintendent.

Miss Ada L. Applegate is the dean of our deaconess force. Her assignment to Heath Church, three years ago, as blessed results show, was no mistake. Her Home study class of forty, her Epworth League with an average attendance of twelve, and her Junior League of twenty-five are the hope of the future. Miss Applegate, in even this almost purely mission church, has organized and helped to maintain a Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliary, which has proved an inspiration and help along other lines. Her calls have numbered 1,005.

Mrs. Mettler has stayed faithfully by Liberty Park Church. With a Home study class of forty, a Cradle Roll of fifty-one, average attendance upon Epworth League of eighteen, and a Mission Band whose work has been many-sided, she has kept the wheels of activity in the Church well in motion. Mrs. Mettler has made 899 calls.

Miss Bellis, at the close of her first year's service, has a record of which she need not be ashamed. A Home study class of thirty-two, a Mothers' Jewel Band of thirty-two, and an average attendance upon the Epworth League of fifteen, with an active and helpful interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which has been sustained by the good women of the Church for years, conclusively proves that she has not had much time to dream. Miss Bellis has made 452 calls during the year.

Miss Gertrude Beecher, who served the First Church until in the late spring, and whom the Church supported in part, has considered it necessary to take a rest of some months. We hope in the near future to welcome her return to this field. Miss Beecher is ardent in her work, with an especial aptitude for reaching the young people. Her calls numbered 699.

OGDEN.

Miss Ida R. Watson is closing her second year in Ogden First Church. To quote from her report: "All meetings have been attended. They are too varied and numerous to count, but I believe I have missed but few of any kind. Class meetings, prayer-meetings, special services, committee meetings, social meetings, Home Guards, Junior Leagues, Sunday-school, Senior Leagues, etc." This is a formidable summary,

but one not unknown to every worker in the field. Miss Watson has made 750 calls, although she does not consider this line of work her stronghold.

Missionaries.

Logan.—Miss Bessie Carlyon has had two successful years of service at Logan. The enrollment in her industrial school has reached one hundred and fifteen, with an average attendance of twenty-five. No one familiar with the conditions in Utah will consider this an unworthy average. A Cradle Roll of ten, and an Epworth League of twenty add interest to her work. Miss Carlyon would average fifty calls per month.

Provo.—Miss Josephine Kellogg, after five and one-half years of service in Provo, resigns her position. Miss Kellogg is our veteran. She has worthily won her scars, (and no good soldier is without them), for this is her second term of service under our Society. The pathos of her last report I will give to you: "This is probably the last report I shall make as a missionary under the Woman's Home Missionary Society of our Church. I wish to record my gratitude for the opportunities of service during the five and one-half years resident in the East Ohio Mission Home. In resigning official connection, I shall not resign interest in it. May God abundantly pour out His Spirit upon the work and the worker who is to come! May she be far more successful than I have been in the most important work of all—the salvation of souls!" May this benediction rest upon us all! Miss Kellogg has conducted a class of girls along industrial lines, and sent to the Seattle Exposition a fine collection of articles made by the class.

Her Home study department numbers thirty-eight, which, with the Cradle Roll of forty-four, are a large hope and comforting inspiration. An Epworth League with an average attendance of twenty, and a small Junior League make up the listed avenues of her endeavor.

Miss Kellogg's successor has not yet been positively secured, but Miss Kellogg will "stay by" until she arrives.

Mt. Pleasant.—At this station we met problems not found in any other; problems, too, that must be solved by the professed Christians of the community, of whom there are not a few. Miss Laney has maintained two industrial classes, with great profit to the children and pleasure to the parents. Much more responsibility in the regular work of the Church rests upon our missionary at this station than is usual where there is a resident pastor, because so many duties of the pastor demand his absence from this charge. Miss Laney is active in all good work in the community, and has upon many occasions aided in meetings at other stations, as well as in series of revival services.

Schools.

We are glad to record that the number of pupils enrolled in our schools has increased during the year over years in the recent past. The opposing element has seemed to quite subside, and our schools have grown in numbers as they have in efficiency under our present teachers. We are hopeful that the attendance of a few years ago, when the capacity of our school buildings was severely tested, may speedily return. This will be our realization unless it should become necessary to carry the dominant power in the State into legislative halls and prominently before the people in criticism.

While this would deplete our schools and otherwise weaken our

endeavor for a time, it would arouse our country to the enormity of the evils of Mormonism.

Moroni.—Miss Dean and Miss Ross have given two years of valuable service at Moroni. An enrollment of forty in the day school, only five being from Gentile families, is the record of the grades. A kindergarten and a sewing class which met twice a week, and a small evening class for advanced study twice a week, constitute the strictly educational departments.

A boys' club—the Junior Civic League—with a membership of twenty-one, has met once a week, with an average attendance of fourteen. The kindergarten room was fitted up for the meetings with rugs and tables, the best chairs and books; and the varied exercises of the sessions proved attractive to the boys. The pastor has held thirteen services during the year.

Miss Jennie C. Nickelson and Miss Jeannette Baker are the successors of Miss Dean and Miss Ross. Miss Baker is not unknown to the work of our Society, she having been a successful teacher in one of our Southern schools.

Spring City.—At this station our work has had the efficient care of Miss Nickelson and Miss Dudleston for two years. Some of the difficulties have been overcome, and the year has closed with a large promise for a profitable year to come. Forty pupils have been enrolled in the grades under Miss Nickelson, five of these Gentiles. It is hoped that we shall graduate a class next year. Miss Dudleston, at the close of her kindergarten, entered upon first and second grade work with twenty-five pupils. Twenty-three have attended steadily since Christmas; twenty-one have earned promotion. Weekly meetings of the literary club were held from September to May. A night school for advanced work is desired for the coming year. Sabbath services have been frequently held by the pastor, which is a great help to the work of any station.

Miss Nickelson, transferred to Moroni, will be succeeded by Miss Jennie Fitzgerald, a graduate of Allegheny College, and a teacher of successful experience.

Elsinore.—Miss Josephine Miller and Miss Lillian Henschen entered upon our work at Elsinore at a somewhat discouraging time. Numbers were depleted, and embarrassments were met for which our force were not at all responsible. But, nothing daunted, these brave young women went forward, closing the year with a record worthy of their faith. Miss Miller, with an enrollment of twenty-five pupils, had an average attendance of twenty. She also cared for our small high school department. The first year of our kindergarten, under Miss Henschen, has been a gratifying success. The connecting class to the primary grades will be established the coming year. We are encouraged to believe that our high school will increase in numbers.

Miss Miller has graduated from our work into a home of her own. She will remain in Utah, near our mission, and both she and her husband will be active members of our Church. Can we do anything much better than to be even indirectly instrumental in the establishment of a Christian home? This is the great need not only of Utah, but of the world.

Miss Henschen's associate will be Miss Grace Sloan, a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University and a teacher favorably known to our work. Church services have been held at Elsinore with commendable regularity. At each of our school stations where there is no resident pastor, Sunday-school and Sunday evening services have been regularly held by the teachers.

Our circulating library has been well received, and enjoyed not only

by the pupils of the schools, but by the communities. In Elsinore the largest interest has been awakened. As high as sixty books have been taken out monthly.

Thus the year has gone, but the best part of its report can not be written. Every line of endeavor named and many potent ones not mentioned have but one object in view—the building of Christian character, which is not a gift and can not be purchased. It is an achievement. The French have a proverb, "It is the first step that's hard." This saying is not without force; but in our work for the redemption of Utah the last steps will be harder, if possible. We have been standing in the trenches; now we must join in the charge, for the enemy is pushing the battle to the gates, but "the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth." Why should we falter in courage or endeavor?

MRS. BRADFORD S. POTTER, *Secretary.*

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (SPANISH).

Harwood Industrial School.

(Scholarship, \$60.)

The school year closing in May, 1909, had its own perplexities. Such experiences come to us all along life's pathway. We are glad to note that all has worked out for the best good of the cause. The school opened in September with an excellent force of teachers under Mrs. Blood as Superintendent. Nearly all the girls return, bringing many new pupils with them.

The school will gladly welcome our visitors from the Annual Meeting on their return via Albuquerque. To hear about is sometimes interesting, but to see with open vision is always better. Special salaries and other funds are needed to keep up the work so dear to the hearts of our women.

El Paso, Texas.

Our work at this place, so long suspended, must come to actual *terro firma*.

Beautiful Alamo Park, opposite, makes our land most attractive, inviting? Yes. Next we must furnish the shelter for our Spanish Mission Settlement. It is a happy incident that we find in this remote portion of our borderland an Auxiliary of cultured, devoted women. Being members in our English Mission, they are alive to the need among our Spanish-speaking people all about them. This must be our next work: to build a small but suitable structure.

Tucson Industrial School.

Arizona Methodism is rallying to the establishment of this long-awaited-for institution.

The foundations for our building are strong and well settled, and appeal for walls and roof to house our girls. If only our women journeying West could have visited our bungalow and tents, where live in crowded quarters a very orderly family, they would say at once, "Go on with your building." More than double the number of our girls who have been admitted *are waiting their chance*.

A few memorials have not been taken. Who will name this school

and give us \$5,000? We are waiting to send up a shout of gladness as soon as we can fling to the breeze the Stars and Stripes from the roof of this Home school.
(MRS.) ANNA KENT, *Secretary*.

INDIAN AND MEXICAN WORK.

The Navajo Mission, Farmington, N. M.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

With new, inexperienced workers at the opening of the school year, October, 1908, there was some anxiety as to the outcome of the year's work; but our young people have proved themselves equal to the task, and most satisfactory work has been done.

To successfully irrigate the land has been a problem hard to solve, but a new plant, with gasoline engine and pump, has proven a success, and some crops are growing, with prospects of better results another year. This will not only aid in the support of the family and stock, but give opportunity of teaching the boys how to cultivate land and become successful farmers.

During the vacation, while Mr. and Mrs. Lindeman were taking a much-needed vacation, Roye Palmer, our graduate boy, has managed affairs successfully. Miss Brown has cared for the domestic department connected with the house as successfully, and all has gone well.

The people of that county have built a new bridge across the San Juan River, which is a joy to the hearts of the missionaries, for when the river becomes at high-water period a raging torrent, they can go to town with safety.

There have been hardships to overcome and trials to bear; a cow and one horse have died, and another given out, no longer to be depended upon for service. New farming implements and wagon bought, and things too numerous to enumerate; funds scarce, and economy necessary; but the missionaries have done nobly.

With twenty-seven children, fourteen of whom had never been in school, the duties were great, and from early morning to late at night they have been taxed to the utmost. It was no small job to take the children through the cleaning process. Sometimes it was a hard *fight*, for one little fellow did fight to the best of his ability, but when once cleaned up he proved to be the very sweetest of the whole crowd. They adopt civilized ways quickly and enjoy a neat house and the comforts of the Home. One boy was asked what kind of a home he would have when a man. He said, "Just like this, and nice dishes, too." They are bright students; as quick to learn to sew and perform other household duties as any white children. They sing most sweetly and are eager to learn about Jesus and heaven. When they go home for vacation they tell such wonderful stories that their parents come to the Mission to ask if they are true, and want to know more about these things, giving the missionaries opportunities of giving the message. It has been a year of spiritual fruitage. Our two largest boys, Enoch and Roye Palmer, have given themselves to Jesus and are developing strong Christian characters. From the very first of their Christian lives they have improved every opportunity of telling their people about Jesus and heaven. One would interpret at the Mission for Sabbath services or assist in teaching the children, and the other go out to the camps and tell all that would listen—and he found

eager listeners, too; all urging him to come again and tell them more about Jesus.

They have not been exempt from sorrow. Tuberculosis is making inroads among this tribe and has taken one of our dearest, sweetest little girls, Little Bessie. She was such a sweet singer, and was often heard singing, "Jesus, love me," and when unable to sing longer she seemed to talk with Jesus, and, with uplifted hand pointing upward, went out of this life to join the angel choir. About as the school year was closing Enoch seemed to be failing in health, and the doctor declared that he also had the dread disease and must go away from the Home to the mountains; so he is with Mrs. Eldridge. It is hoped that this is the Lord's way of sending the message to those far away from the Mission.

There has been much to encourage the workers, but the needs are great. With five more pupils there will be need of more supplies; farming implements give out quickly in that dry, hot climate and must be replaced. A cow, a horse, etc., must be purchased. Who will help? And do not forget to pray for work and workers, and "lend a hand."

Mrs. E. W. SIMPSON, *Secretary*.

MISS KATHERINE BASSETT, *Associate Secretary*.

PACIFIC COAST INDIAN WORK.

Nooksack Indian Mission.

Formerly Stickney Industrial Indian School. New plan of missionary work.

(Day Scholarship, \$20.)

This new plan can better be told in the words of the Superintendent herself, Miss Lydia Rouls:

"The new plan of missionary work among the Nooksack Indians is a change from the boarding-school of Stickney Home to a line of work similar to the settlement plan of the city missionary, plus a day school. The work will be carried on by two persons: teacher and field matron. Following the example of the public schools, the teacher will, along with the regular school work, carry on such industrial work as meets the needs of these children. The field matron will go into the homes and help the mothers cope with real conditions. She will sing and pray with them whenever it seems best, and thus help them to be better Christians. The two, teacher and field matron, will give these people the example of a Christian home in their midst, and will assist the pastor wherever needed in Sunday-school, prayer-meeting, etc.

"This plan originated with the National Indian Association, but has been both adopted and adapted by other societies. It has grown in importance and influence until those who deal with the Indian problem have come to see that it meets the present need of the Indian in a better way than the older plan of the boarding-school. The United States Government has come to recognize this fact. Hon. Francis E. Leupp in his last 'Report of Indian Affairs' says that the non-reservation or boarding-school 'has passed the height of its usefulness, and henceforward must be tolerated only as a survival and allowed to disintegrate by degrees.' So, in changing from the boarding-school to settlement work and day school, we are only trying to keep abreast of the times.

"From the standpoint of the parents the new plan is best, for it gives them the responsibility of caring for the bodily needs of their chil-

dren—the natural, the God-given right of every parent. In the early day they did not know how to do this; but in the past eighteen years, through the influence of Stickney Home, they have been taught how, and now, for the sake of their further development, they must do it. They are financially able to do this. They have their own lands, given to them in severalty by the Government twenty years ago—160 acres to each family. They do not know how to make the most out of their lands, yet they do quite well, considering that thirty-five years ago they were wearing their blankets. They have made a wonderful growth in that time, so that, with the help of the field matron and supplies sent by the missionary societies, they are now able to care for the bodily needs of their children.

"From the standpoint of the child the new plan is best, for it fosters the love of home in a way that the boarding-school could not do. In the early day, when the Indian home was a tepee or a mere hovel, one place was as good as another to the Indian child. But there has been advancement in house and home life. The tepee or the hovel has given place to the frame house, sometimes with five rooms. The Indian child no longer leaves a hut, a squaw, and a papoose when he goes to Stickney Home, but he leaves his home, papa, and mamma, and little brother and sister; and he longs to see them and gets homesick just as your child would do if he had to be away from home the greater part of the year. The new plan leaves the child in its home, where it belongs, and where it can be coddled and cared for by its own mother.

"From the standpoint of the society the new plan is best; for two people can now do the work that formerly required six, so that it will mean a saving of at least two-thirds of the expense. And the two missionaries, being relieved of the bodily care of the children, can give all their time to mental and spiritual training, which will undoubtedly produce better results.

"The new plan in this particular field is not of mushroom growth, but has been developing since March, 1908, when Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, of Los Angeles, California, one of the Vice-presidents of the General Society, visited Stickney Home. She was sent by Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Bureau Secretary, to investigate the needs and make plans for bettering the work. After spending two weeks studying the needs of the Home and of the Indian people, and conferring with their pastor and District Superintendent, she and the writer outlined the new plan of work, which was immediately accepted by the Board, and we were directed to carry it out. We have now spent three months in the Indian neighborhood, conducting Sunday-school and visiting in the homes, and feel that we are fully justified in making the change. We have left the farm in charge of a competent farmer, the proceeds to go toward the support of the work here."

Four months later Miss Rouls writes: "The Sunday-school has been well attended by both parents and children and is now self-supporting. The latter part of June we assisted the pastor in a camp-meeting, at which a number were converted. Through our field matron the young converts have been kept in touch with the Church. The pastor, because of the pressure of work among his white people, has been able to do no pastoral work; so this line of work, as well as that of industrial work, has fallen on our field matron, Miss Alma Crumbaugh. Our day school has been happily launched, and for the present is being held in the church building. The Indians are responding beyond our expectations, and the children are delighted with the thought of being able to remain at home and yet be in school. We have reached two boys who have never been in school, though one is sixteen years old. We have located and visited every Indian of the tribe. This is no small task when you learn they are scattered for

twenty-five miles on both banks of the Nooksack River. We are indebted to County Assessor for assistance in locating Indian lands, to the County Superintendent of Schools, and the truant officers for assistance in getting children into the day school, and to the District Superintendent and pastor for use of church and parsonage."

Yuma Indian Mission.

Rev. J. A. CROUCH, Missionary; P. O., Yuma, Arizona.

This Mission has had a successful year. The meeting-house is complete (at a cost of about \$1,400), all but the paint, which will be on in a month. Services were begun four months ago, and the attendance at preaching hour has been an average of forty, and at Sunday-school an average of twenty-eight. The children are kept in the Government school all the time, and are under Roman Catholic influence while there; so our work is at present with the young people (grown) and the older ones.

The missionary has ministered to 104 sick ones from the dispensary, which he had from the Government supply of medicines; but this has now been withdrawn, to compel the Indians to come to the school and apply through the agent for medicines, thus to hold them under their influence. We are now putting in \$100 worth of medicines in our own Mission house, so that they can come as usual to us. We have eight sewing-machines, which have been used during the year by forty-eight squaws, who come with their garments to make; there have been given out 225 garments, and 187 visits made into the poor homes of these people. There has been real destitution among them this year on account of the lack of water for irrigation. The land is to be allotted to the Indians now about February, 1910; each Indian receiving ten acres, and some provision being made to teach them farming, providing implements, etc., and a Government instructor. We have great hopes, if this is done, of yet making good Christian citizens of this neglected people. We have a change of missionaries this year, Rev. J. M. Ocheltree having to resign for health reasons; but the work will have no break, as Rev. J. A. Crouch at once takes it up. Help us save the Yumas!

Greenville Mission.

The missionary, Rev. J. M. Johnson, has traveled 3,000 miles in the prosecution of his work in the past year, distributing to the sick and needy medicine and garments as well as cheer and comfort. Four hundred and fifty calls were made in the homes, and nine funerals were attended. Eighteen people were received into the Church, and twenty-seven were baptized.

The people, while very poor, subscribe of their poverty to help in the work. At the Easter service they gave \$54 for Missions, and during the year from them and their white friends has come \$26 for the poor and \$44 for the current expenses of the Church.

Some of our Indians are very poor and need help. If our Auxiliaries would send barrels of clothing and food, the things would be judiciously dispensed by the missionary. Put in large shoes, for our old Indians need warm foot-covering.

Rev. J. M. Johnson, who has served these people for four years, has been transferred to the Walker River Mission, under the Board of Home Missions; so we are sending a new man, Rev. W. A. Armstrong. The field matron's position has been given to another, and we will need more help than last year to keep our missionary in good health and spirits.

We are educating a Home Missionary tribe of Indians, as twenty-six subscriptions were sent to *Woman's Home Missions* as a premium to all who gave one dollar to the Easter collection.

When sending, direct to Greenville, Cal., via Beckwith. Our Mission is fifty miles from the railroad.

MRS. J. A. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

POTTAWATOMIE AND PONCA INDIAN MISSIONS.

The Pottawatomies, Mayetta, Kansas.

MRS. CARRIE E. COPE, *Chairman of Committee*.

This work is the Lord's. It is our part to save, as He directs. He will meet every need, break down every barrier, overcome every difficulty, and accomplish all His loving purpose for the children of men. As we have faith to take the place of servants, yielding to Him in all things, we share in the toil and suffering here, and in the glory both here and yonder.

His work is going forward upon this field. He has given to it two new workers, Mr. and Mrs. Naylor (Charles E.), Mrs. Naylor having charge of the day school, which opened September 6th, with thirty pupils enrolled. Already the children are talking about Christmas. One little girl said, "We never knew what Christmas was until you had it over at the church." We trust our friends will remember the "tree" again this year.

All through the summer months Mr. and Mrs. Naylor have made hundreds of calls, getting acquainted, nursing many who were sick, helping in operations, and in fact doing anything their hands found to do. Many complications arise in the work, as sin is everywhere, and much "grace" and patience are needed.

Our Sunday services are well attended, and we anticipate having Rev. T. C. Thomas, our Indian evangelist, with us for several weeks before Christmas-time, and through this agency reach many of these precious souls for our Lord.

Every Thursday afternoon, since school closed in May, we have had a meeting for both boys and girls, playing games, learning to sew (girls have pieced several quilts), and with this Mrs. Naylor would give short talks on some of the practical things of life.

During the month of August our missionaries made twenty-four calls in Indian homes. Early in the year our faithful workers, Mr. and Mrs. Steve, were compelled to leave us, much to our regret, but the work has not been without missionaries for one single day.

During the eight years while I have been Chairman of this work I have seen the work grow and develop, until at this time we have the blessed assurance that a number of those who have heretofore been strangers to our Christ have been brought to a personal knowledge of Him.

Ponca Mission, Oklahoma.

Dr. A. J. Simms, missionary, writes:

"Dear Madam,—The Ponca Indians as a tribe are making rapid advance toward civilization. Many of them have fair houses and cultivate small tracts of land, raise garden vegetables, keep a few chickens,

hogs, etc., and live at home most of the time. One great barrier to civilization, their Nomadic habits, are being gradually overcome in many families. Most of the Poncas have been legally married. All of the younger people, with few exceptions, speak and write our language, and each year are adopting many civilized ways. They have made more advancement in the past twelve years, I believe, than the white race has ever made in the same period of time.

"Although Oklahoma is a prohibition State, the illicit sale of spirituous liquors continues, especially among the Indians; many of the Poncas have become drunkards, and frequent deaths result directly or indirectly from its use. They also obtain a product of the giant century plant (it grows in Mexico), which they chew and swallow, or make into a liquid to drink, which produces an effect somewhat similar to opium. They use this when they have a mescal dance, and call it mescal. The Poncas have just returned from their annual sun dance, which is demoralizing, to say the least.

"One poor consumptive girl, the wife of Joe Crazy Bear, died on the camp-ground in her tent, probably from exposure. I prayed with her before her death, and told her of Jesus' love. She seemed comforted. We buried her in the Indian Cemetery later.

"Church services are held every Sabbath morning in the little church. The boys and girls from the Government school, attended by their teachers and other employees, come regularly; also some from the reservation. Our District Superintendent says our congregation is the most American congregation that he ever addresses. He calls it a mixed multitude, for there are all colors, varying from white to red and red to black, with intervening shades. There are about 120 scholars in the two Sunday-schools. We have a Sunday evening chapel service each Sunday at the Government Indian School for the scholars and all others who will come.

"I must not forget to mention the Tuesday evening class for the study of the Methodist Episcopal Catechism. The boys and girls make splendid progress in this, and would be a credit in any school anywhere.

"The ladies of the Philadelphia Committee have done much to help in encouraging the girls and boys to learn religious things. Each year at Christmas they have kindly thought of us and our work here in a substantial manner. As regularly as Christmas comes these kind ladies send picture books, candies, toys, and other useful things that are greatly appreciated. I am sure that if these ladies could see the looks of pleased expectation and expressions of delight from happy, little, dark-colored faces when these long-coveted presents are given out and the good that is done to the cause, they would feel more than repaid for the trouble and expense that they have incurred. As they have come to them regularly for years, so they look forward to Christmas and the big package from Philadelphia.

During the year we have held services twice each Sunday, a prayer-meeting each Wednesday (except during the hot weather in vacation). Have baptized eight persons, have married three couples, have conducted twelve funeral services, and received seven persons into the Church. I try to make the Sunday evening service as attractive as possible. It is well attended, and no uncommon sight to see the young men from the reservation ride in on ponyback on purpose to attend this service. Every Indian on the reservation knows of Jesus Christ and believes in Him as the Son of God who came to save them. I would to God that they all obeyed Him!

ALASKA.

(Scholarship, \$60.)

The increasing number of tourists who visit Alaska, and the wonderful Alaskan exhibits at the Seattle Exposition are bringing before the people of the United States, especially those on the Pacific Coast, some possibilities never before dreamed of. Alaska's size, and hence variety of climate; its resources in gold, copper, marble, fish, furs, grain, fruits, and vegetables are revelations, to say nothing of its coal fields, which are said to be richer than its gold fields. The lack of transportation facilities greatly retards the development of these resources, but several railroads are now in process of construction, and we rejoice to see that, in an address at Seattle, President Taft said he would recommend liberal Government aid in the building of railroads in Alaska. So it may not be many years before, instead of sending coal to our Alaska missions from San Francisco and Seattle at heavy expense, these cities and others on the Pacific Coast will get their supply from Alaska at much lower rates than paid to get it from Pennsylvania. Alaska, since its purchase from Russia, has added over \$325,000,000 worth to the resources of the United States. Bishop John W. Hamilton, referring to his expectation of again visiting Alaska, says, in a letter to the Secretary, "Just as we have not known the wealth that comes to this country in that purchase, so the Church does not know what is in store for her there."

But the natives of Alaska, the Aleuts, Indians, and Eskimos, in whom we are particularly interested, are unable to profit by these recently discovered resources. They have neither the skill nor the tools for mining. Then, white men have pre-empted their hunting and fishing grounds, so that it is harder for them to make a living now than formerly. Is it not incumbent on this Christian nation to teach these simple-minded, honest people new methods of earning their bread? The Christian men at the head of the Bureau of Education, as well as missionaries, are doing a little toward this end. The reindeer industry is the most important undertaking. It is hoped that before the too distant future every Eskimo family will own a small herd of deer as farmers in this country own cattle and horses. The raising of foxes and other fur-bearing animals is being carried on in Southwestern Alaska and on the Aleutian Islands. A plant for the making of fertilizers from the bodies of whales is projected for the island of Akaton, which will give employment to a large number of natives. Experiments in farming and gardening with hardy specimens of grains and vegetables are being made by the Government and missionaries.

Dr. F. H. Spence, Superintendent of Jesse Lee Home, has been experimenting with alfalfa, as wild hay is becoming very scarce, and believes plenty can be raised to feed enough cattle to not only supply our mission with butter and milk, but with all the meat required. In order to break the sod, he will need horses or mules. This year he tried to make Taurus plow, but his lordship refused to work. If he could have horses and thus give the large boys an opportunity to learn how to use them, and how to farm, it would make their outlook much brighter. Our oldest boy, Catua, is now sixteen and very ambitious. He worked with horses this summer on a Government experimental farm, and was greatly interested. He is an Eskimo, and bright, and has good musical and artistic ability; carves ivory; is exceedingly anxious to go to school, and is now about ready to enter the eighth grade. Who will help him? Dr. and Mrs. Spence are "diligent in business" as well as

"fervent in spirit." He and the boys have done much of the work of re-shingling, painting, and papering of our buildings during the past summer. As he could not leave, Mrs. Spence went to Summer Camp with half a dozen of the larger boys to secure the winter's supply of fish. Their luck the first two or three weeks was discouraging, when one day the net brought in 247 large red salmon, so that an abundant supply was salted or dried.

We have long had an ambition to have the girls in Jesse Lee Home taught the rare basket weaving done by the natives of the Aleutian Islands, but as necessarily some of the teachers would have opportunity to learn the art, too, no native woman was willing to give lessons, this being their one exclusive art. But at last a teacher was found, and samples of the work done by our girls are in the Alaska exhibit.

Three of our children were folded in the arms of the Good Shepherd during the past year. Tuberculosis, the tendency to which was inherited, took each of them. As none of the teachers in Jesse Lee Home, or other white people at Unalaska, are so far as we know ever touched by the great white plague, we have come to the conclusion that it is not the climate but the conditions of living that make the disease so prevalent among the natives. Few children in Alaska are well born. Then, the ignorance of the parents, who seem to make it their chief avocation during the long winters to watch lest a whiff of fresh air get into their cabins, and the lack of good food add their contributions to the inherited tendency. The Bureau for Alaska needs a Health Department, with lectures and exhibit to enlighten the natives!

While our missionaries do not have tuberculosis, they do become worn and nervous, and it is decided by the Secretaries and Boards in charge of work in Alaska that three years is as long as any worker should remain in the field, there being no chance for vacation or change without returning to this country.

The girls who came out with Miss Benedict are doing well. The oldest, Anna Gould, seems to be more and more prized as a helper in the family with whom she lives. She writes that she has a good home, but would very much like the opportunity of going to school, and later becoming a missionary. During the sessions of the annual meeting in Los Angeles, word was received that Auxcinia, the oldest girl in the Home, and an orphan, was being sent to us to save her from a situation where the temptations to an impure life would be almost insurmountable. An appeal was made to the Convention for a home for this capable girl, who had been in the Home eight years. Six responses were received, two of them inside of two minutes. We know that Auxcinia will be well cared for in the home of our own dear Mrs. Anna Kent.

Some of God's people somewhere have the money needed to buy a few acres with a small home on it, in the State of Washington or in Southeastern Alaska, or perhaps build a home on one of the nearby islands that the Government might donate to us, where the boys and girls from Jesse Lee Home could be taken when ready to leave the Home, and have better opportunities for earning a living and for leading virtuous and Christian lives.

On the suggestion of Captain Daniels, commander of one of the Revenue Cutters, the Secretary applied to the proper authority in Washington, D. C., and secured free transportation for our boxes, barrels, and bundles to both missions in Alaska to the amount of a ton. They must be in San Francisco by April 1st, addressed to Dr. F. H. Spence, Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska, or to Mr. W. F. Baldwin, Sinuk Mission, Nome, Alaska, care of Purchasing Officer, Revenue Cutter Service, Appraiser's Building, San Francisco, California. The needs in Jesse Lee

Home are those of any family of forty-three children, ranging in ages from two to seventeen. Almost anything will be useful for the Master's little ones in that far-off island Home.

Sinuk Mission.—P. O., Nome, Alaska.

(Scholarship, \$50.)

While the temperature never goes lower than eight below zero at Unalaska, at Sinuk it goes so low that the mercury ceased to register. Our missionaries, as well as the natives, must dress in furs when they go out, and when asleep must be in fur bags to be comfortable.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Baldwin have succeeded Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Sellon as missionaries in charge, arriving in Nome July 8th. Mr. Baldwin is a graduate of the Missionary Training-school in Brooklyn, and has had much practical training. Mrs. Baldwin graduated as a deaconess last year, and has also had a business training. They were married in June and took their wedding trip to Sinuk. Both are earnest and enthusiastic in the Master's work, and already seem to have taken the Eskimos into their hearts.

The new building for our Hilah Seward Industrial Home and Orphanage is nearly completed, and Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin expect to be comfortably settled before Christmas. None who have not had experience can understand the difficulties encountered in erecting a building over three thousand miles distant with very poor mail service, it sometimes being three months before an answer to a letter is received. All the material for the building and the furnishings, as well as the contractor, had to be sent from this country. The boat carrying our cargo left Seattle about the first of June and arrived at Sinuk July 19th. As no other boat will carry freight to Sinuk until next summer, the stoves, coal, the absolutely necessary furniture, as well as a year's supply of groceries and other essentials for the missionaries and reindeer apprentices, had to be sent by the same boat.

The walls of the building are of five thicknesses of lumber and building paper; outside doors have storm porches, all the windows are double, the chimneys are lined with cement so as to be fireproof, and a simple but scientific ventilating system is used, the latter being especially necessary where Eskimos congregate. The building is on the shore of Behring Sea, and a few hundred feet from the Government Building. In addition to the chapel there are eight rooms, living room, dining room, kitchen, dispensary, two bed rooms, and two dormitories, a boys' and a girls', with bathroom, store room, and closets.

Our reindeer are doing well. We hope to market \$500 worth this fall.

The Eskimos are very fond of music. A good friend, Mrs. J. W. Keyhart, of Atlantic City, has collected and shipped to Sinuk fine orchestral instruments. Who will add a bass viol?

About eight miles distant is King Island, where from two to three hundred Eskimos live the year round so as to be there in the spring when the walrus and other game come down on ice floes from the Arctic seas. They have no teacher or missionary. We want a boat large enough to carry those men from Sinuk to King Island promptly when the game appears, no matter how rough the waves, so that these people, said to be the artists of the North, may live at Sinuk, where their children can attend school and all have religious privileges. Mr. Sellon has been urging this for a year, and Dr. John Parsons, Superintendent of Methodist Missions in Alaska, who visited Sinuk last July and helped to select the site for the new building, says we must have a boat if we are to do the work that lies before us. The people are eager to learn, but how can

they without a teacher? We must either send a teacher to them or make it possible for them to come to our mission. It will require about \$1,000 to provide the right kind of a boat.

Mrs. R. H. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

IMMIGRANT WORK.

In the study of the great national problem of immigration, we are more and more impressed with the thought of God, as the Ruler of nations.

In the former days, the days of religious persecution, He responded to the appeal for religious liberty, and directed those who had to flee from their native land, for conscience sake, to this country as a haven of rest.

This broad land of beautiful prairies, noble streams, and rolling mountains became their home, and here they rejoiced that they could "worship God under their own vine and fig tree, none daring to molest or make them afraid."

In the planting of our nation, we see how greatly we are indebted to these newcomers, in the fact that in every town, village, and hamlet, as soon as a sure foothold was gained, they reared a house of worship. History informs us that the English kings issued instructions to their mariners that, "wheresoever a colony should be planted in the New World, it should be founded in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, else whosoever was founded would not be of successful continuance or prosperity."

Our national growth and marvelous success are owing to this fact, and to-day we stand before the nations of the world, *second to none*. The promise, "He that honoreth Me, I will honor," has been fulfilled.

During the latter half of 1907 there fell upon the country a great business depression. Strange to say, our financial pulse was felt in the remote villages and hamlets of the Old World, especially in the provinces of Southern Europe. This was manifested in the fact that just before the financial depression the flood-tide of immigration was reached in the round numbers of 1,285,349 for the year ending June 30, 1907.

The stress of business depression lasted throughout the year, and the number coming over during the year ending June 30, 1908, was 782,870, a falling off in a single year of 502,479. During this same year there departed from this country 714,828, proving pretty conclusively that supply and demand regulate immigration.

There has been an almost universal cry, "We are getting the dregs, the scum, the outcasts of the Old World in the millions dumped upon our shores." Professor Steiner, of Iowa College, has just returned from a stay of fourteen months in Europe, where he has been studying the peasant classes in their homes. He refutes the idea of the degraded classes coming here, and says we get the best of the peasant classes. His expedition was under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Young Men's Christian Association, and was the first of its kind. He was accompanied by six college students. These young men have been assigned to immigrant work in various cities and towns of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Brumbaugh, of Philadelphia, has directed that lectures be given to our foreign population on such topics as "The Duty of a Policeman," "How the City Can Be Kept Clean," "Our Water Supply—How It Can Be Kept Pure," etc.

That the foreign element is not of the degraded class is proven from another fact. We are told that at the free library in the dense,

foreign quarter of New York City the demand is for the solid, even classic books. There is little demand for light and trashy literature. This is in contrast with the uptown libraries.

We rejoice that our people are arousing, as never before, to meet the conditions existing among us. New laws are being made operative by our Commissioners at Washington that are proving vastly effective in sifting out undesirable incomers, and properly disposing of the desirable ones.

Our Immigrant Home in East Boston, 72 and 74 Marginal Street, with its Annex in Charlestown, has had a prosperous year. Mrs. Amanda C. Clark writes, "The Lord has been with us," and adds: "I am so grateful to the Master that I have been permitted to serve in this work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society for twenty years without any break." She pleads most earnestly that they may have a new building.

Our Immigrant Home at No. 9 State Street, New York City, has also had a prosperous year. Miss Alma Matthews writes: "We believe impressions have been made that will tell in eternity. We have listened to many sorrowful and sad tales of woe; the Lord has helped us in speaking the necessary words of comfort."

It was our pleasant privilege to attend the annual meeting in May, 1909. The Home had taken on new beauty. With new carpets, and newly painted and papered, it was transformed. It gave us joy and pleasure to mingle with the ladies of the Board, and to congratulate them upon the improvements.

The work in Philadelphia at the Immigrant Station is done by a deaconess, Miss Amanda Ford. Her services are invaluable. She finds some very pathetic cases. She visits those who are detained through sickness in our hospitals, cares for the little children, gives them toys, takes them out for recreation when they have to remain for a length of time, and adds to the comfort of hundreds of distressed ones.

Statistical Report Immigrants' Home, East Boston, Mass., 72-74 E. Marginal St.

Number of ships met	80
Number of passengers aided	1,532
Number of lodgings furnished	2,837
Number of new arrivals in the Home	698
Number of meals served.	8,199
Number of persons aided:	
Men	306
Women	314
Children	76
Number of girls sent to friends	85
Number of situations secured	20
Number of letters written and postals	473
Number of telegrams and telephone messages.....	307
Number of garments distributed	833

Immigrant's Home Annex, Charlestown, Mass.

Number cared for in Annex	292
Number of meals served in Annex	1,441
Number of lodgings in Annex	508

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

New York Immigrant Girls' Home, 9 State St., New York City.

Number of ships met.	978
Number of passengers—aliens	733,267
Number of nationalities	14
Number cared for in the Home—new arrivals.	723
Number of meals served	19,494
Number of lodgings furnished	5,229
Number of lodgings for women	711
Number of lodgings for children	12
Number of situations secured.	123
Number of girls sent to friends	520
Number of telegrams and telephone messages.	1,613
Number of letters and postals written.	1,319

Many barrels full of garments were distributed, including shoes, stockings, and hats.

Philadelphia.

Number of ships met.	40
Number of passengers.	13,563
Number of nationalities	40
Number of visits to station	317
Number of visits to hospitals	76
Number of persons visited	160
Number of Bibles distributed.	10,917
Number of papers distributed	2,010
Number of cards distributed	1,970
Number of toys distributed	490
Number of garments distributed	64
Number of families aided	329
Number of individuals helped	155
Number of children helped	861
Number of situations secured	2

Hull Street Settlement and Medical Mission Dispensary, 36 Hull Street, Boston, Mass.

The popular topic to-day for a magazine article, or theme for a student's thesis, is one closely allied to some form of social service. Our Churches are studying the subject, and our religious weeklies are discussing it and sending out the call for leaders along social lines. The Federal Council of Churches has in its monthly organ a course of study dealing with the great social and political problems of our country. It thus becomes a part of the education of a religious leader to-day to know something of the great questions that come into our national life, and which affect the lives of their fellow-men, and also to feel that in a measure he personally is responsible for their right solution.

Our field is among a foreign population, with many of the disadvantages of a foreign land, and is a good training ground for those preparing for work across the sea. One of our workers left in August for Korea, and three of those with us are student volunteers. One has been a missionary among the Indians, and secures in our medical department the education she needs for more effective service in her chosen field. Our medical department has two lines of work: that of the dispensary and on the district. The members of our staff have been

especially helpful and faithful the past year, both in attendance upon the clinics and in their willingness to aid in the giving of lectures.

The resident force in our medical department has consisted of two internes, a directress of nurses, four student nurses, and an interpreter. One of the internes has given place to a graduate physician who takes much of the responsibility, lessens the number of calls upon the staff for consultation, and places the work upon a proper basis. There have been many difficult cases in the clinics, some taking months to relieve, and resulting in the saving of a finger or hand to the patient.

A work that has attracted the notice of the daily press has been the "little nurses" classes. Their study has been systematic and practical, ending with examinations. The children have proven to be "echoes," and, in some cases, have perhaps influenced their mothers more than a nurse would have done. The mothers have testified to the help obtained in this way, and many of them have attended the lectures for the women. These lectures were more of the nature of practical interviews or conversations. Possibly the nurses here have been as helpful the past year in their friendly visits in the district as in their professional calls. They have brought relief in many ways. In all, 4,793 calls were made by the nurses, and 3,842 by the internes.

Thanksgiving and Christmas were red-letter days in the Settlement and in the district. A former patient, grateful for treatment received, sent groceries which were distributed to needy ones. Donations from one of our volunteer workers enabled us to send out fifty or more baskets at Thanksgiving. At Christmas the many Auxiliaries, Epworth and Junior Leagues, Sunday-schools, and friends made it possible for us to make happy more than 500 people, 239 among the sewing-schools and clubs, about 100 in the clinics, and more than 200 in the district. Eight entertainments were given, one by the Eliot Club for all the boys' clubs.

On May 27th occurred the exhibition and graduation of nurses. The work of the industrial classes showed careful supervision and an improvement over last year. Graduating night, with its flowers, music, friends, and helpful addresses, marked an epoch in the lives of the graduates as well as in that of the Settlement.

In the industrial classes there has been a membership of 146, average attendance of 90, and 175 garments have been made. The Tuesday and Thursday Clubs of Italian and Irish women have had a membership of 37 and an average attendance of 19. One hundred and twenty-five garments have been made. The number of our clubs for boys has doubled the past year, and two large clubs for girls have been organized, due to our social worker. Calling is a very important function of the social leader. She must know their homes and keep in touch with their joys and sorrows. Our social worker has made 857 calls.

An athletic meet with sixty boys from the North End seems quite an undertaking, but the day passed without a jar, and as one boy said, "It has been the best day of my life." Of our 124 boys there has been an average attendance of 94. One club having a membership of 12, had an average attendance of 12. Many boys have been turned away for lack of room. The leaders have seldom been absent, and have given the boys "auto" rides, and entertained them in their homes. One leader camps out with his boys every summer. The girls' clubs had a membership of fifty-one, and an average attendance of thirty-six. Their outings at Concord and Waverley Oaks were days of great pleasure to them. Eight boys and girls have been helped in their studies by workers.

(MRS.) ADA T. WELLS, *Superintendent.*

MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME.

Since America's big lap is to-day as full as ever with unmothered children, the needs are as intensely felt as in any previous year for such Homes as that of our Mothers' Jewels at York, Nebraska. We have this year taken from that helpless, crowding, pleading mass as many as the women of Methodism have made it possible by their gifts for us to support. When they will increase their giving, we can increase our Christly philanthropy. Twenty-four (24) children have come into our Home this year, twenty-seven (27) have gone out, and sixty-four (64) yet remain. The whooping-cough epidemic entering our Home in early spring and continuing to date, has to quite an extent militated against the work of reception of children into the Home and placement into private homes.

Our older girls have left us to become self-supporting, or gone into other homes, until their loss in household assistance and family life is noticeably felt. This might also be said of the boys. But when we find them in responsible positions in the big, busy world, we feel a thrill at the heart that in exchange for the helpless childhood we took from her lap, we can give back to America citizens of high caliber.

The season has been disappointing throughout many States, and Nebraska has had her share of drought, and the Mothers' Jewels Home necessarily will feel the loss of a full harvest. Though, notwithstanding the variable conditions of wet and drought, we feel sure we have not suffered nearly to the dip of our fears, thanks be to our Heavenly Father. Of course, at this juncture of the season's passage, wheat is still in stack and corn in the green. Our supply of vegetables for the season has been above the average. As to fruit, we have had a more nearly general crop this season.

Friends, make this a year of strong thought and aid for the Home.
(MRS.) ANNIE HOBBS WOODCOCK, *Chairman of Committee.*

WATTS DE PEYSTER INDUSTRIAL HOME AND SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, TIVOLI, N. Y.

(Scholarship, \$70.)

In presenting the annual report of the Watts de Peyster Home, our first thought is one of gratitude for the many blessings enjoyed during the year.

The Home has been unusually free from serious illness, and the girls, under the devoted care and attention of the Superintendent and her assistants, show evidence of continued improvement.

Since our last report several girls have become of age, and through the efforts of the ladies of the Board have secured good homes in which they are self-supporting. New arrivals have come to take the place of those who have gone out, and various applications are awaiting action of the Board.

Many needed improvements have been made, and the property has been kept in good condition. The Home and hospital have been equipped with electric lights, and arrangements are being made for modern fire escapes for the main building.

"Founders' Day" was celebrated with a large attendance of ladies of the Board, and others interested in the work. The children's exercises were unusually interesting, and our visitors could appreciate the good work which the Home is doing.

To see these bright, intelligent girls growing up in the congenial surroundings of a happy Christian Home, being trained to become self-supporting when they go out into the world, and, above all, having instilled into their hearts sound Christian virtues to guide them through life, and then to remember what might have been the future of these girls but for the help of our Home, is enough to warm the hearts of those interested in the success of the work, and to repay them for their efforts.

It is a real pleasure to be able to testify our appreciation of the devotion of our Superintendent, Miss Schveder, and the teachers, as well as of Mr. Post, the manager of the farm; they have all cheerfully and intelligently contributed to the success of our undertaking.

To the Treasurer and Secretary, as well as to all the members of the Board, our earnest thanks are due for their efficient co-operation.

Our worthy Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Park, has been ready and willing at all times, and her assistance and advice has been invaluable to the Chairman.

The good work which is being done by the Home justifies us in asking a continuance of the liberal support of the Society and all our friends.

MRS. FRANK NORTON, *Chairman of Committee.*

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME, 1908-1909.

641 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, O.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has just completed its eighteenth year of missionary work in Cincinnati. In all of the work of the year we have endeavored to "keep near to Christ, and to keep near to the people."

Three buildings were used for the work—the Glenn Home, 641 West Fourth Street; The Mission, 824 West Fifth Street, and "The Cottage," at the rear of the Fleischmann Distillery, Riverside. The building given us for fourteen years, free of rent, by the Big Four Railroad was no longer at our disposal on account of the extension of their lines. They assured us that their gift had been a good business investment, for we elevated that neighborhood and thus enabled them to collect their rents. The new building increased the expenses three hundred and sixty dollars, which we were obliged to pay for rent.

Seven workers were regularly employed—Mrs. A. M. Given, Superintendent of the Boarding Department, missionary; Miss A. R. Bassett, deaconess; Miss F. A. Gunn, Miss Lena Ramenstein, missionaries; Miss E. W. Wolfer, Miss Faith Lingenfelter, and Miss C. I. Betty, kindergarten.

Fourteen assistants gave part of their time to the work—Mr. C. B. Cadwell and Mr. A. D. White, Sunday-school Superintendents; Mrs. Lucy May, Mrs. A. D. White, Mrs. Threlkeld, Mr. Stamper, Mr. W. A. Hoover, Mr. C. Lewis, and Mr. S. Nevins, Sunday-school teachers; Mrs. W. M. Simmons, Mrs. Chas. Meyer, and Mrs. Morris, sewing class teachers; and Mr. E. H. Schenkel, superintendent of the Boys' Club.

The Boarding Department has had the best year of its history. Not only have every bed and cot been in use, but it was necessary to rent an annex—a flat in the San Rafael—that this department might be enlarged and the missionaries not too crowded.

The dining-room never looked as neat or as attractive, thanks to the Greenville Circle, who gave fifty-five dollars to purchase the beautiful new blue and white linoleum. The Conference House Committee, under the

leadership of Mrs. W. M. Harper, Greenville, furnished thirty new spreads and various other much-needed articles. The rates have been the same as in other years; board, light, and heat at the nominal sum of three dollars a week.

There was a larger number of students among the boarders than heretofore. Some took commercial, Bible, and musical training; while others attended the high school department of the night school. Those who remained at home during the evenings repaired to the laundry, sewed or studied. Thus all were not only busy as bees in the business world during the day, but their evenings were full of toil. Of course, some have gone from us not seeming to appreciate or to be helped by the blessed influences about them, but the opposite has been the rule—we were proud of the noble, industrious young women who made their home with us. We require no matrimonial agency in connection with the work. Cupid found his way very frequently into the Home. Six of the girls were married during the year. A pretty wedding occurred at Christmas. A large, well-lighted tree with other holiday decorations made an appropriate background for the bridal party. Light refreshments were served, and the occasion was a happy one.

Our attractive, lovable Irish girl entered into the spirit life during the year. She was without relatives or friends in this country; her pathetic history won the heartfelt sympathy of all. The missionaries, as well as the girls, counted it a privilege to minister to her in her last hours and to attend to the details of her funeral.

Sudden illness visited another member of the household. Though she recovered, she was obliged to give up her business career and return to her own State.

The three kindergartens had an enrollment of one hundred and thirty-three names; the average attendance was eighty-four. One of the kindergartners reports: "I made two hundred and ten visits to the homes of the children, and have found some of the most wretched surroundings I have ever known." These are the children whose fathers are out of work, and whose mothers scrub offices, arising at half after four o'clock, in order to complete their work before business hours.

One little boy remained a few minutes after dismissal one day and was asked why he did not hurry home to dinner. "I don't have any dinner," was the pathetic reply; "mother leaves a cup of milk for me outside when she goes to work, and I play on the street until she gets back." No wonder he had gladly taken a few extra animal crackers in his pocket from the kindergarten luncheon when they were given him.

We are endeavoring to teach the children to remember their Creator in the days of their youth. They are urged to pray night and morning at home, and to ask a blessing before meals. One little girl whose mother is a Protestant and her father a Catholic, exclaimed when meeting me, "I say my prayers every morning and every evening, as I promised, and then I cross myself." "Are you a Catholic?" I asked. "I am a *Christian* Catholic," was her prompt reply.

After singing "Jesus bids us shine, well He sees and knows if our light be dim," one little boy proffered the information that "one time at home they weren't bad at all, but their light got dim." Another child had been so thoroughly impressed with the idea that he came to kindergarten to learn something, that when his dog followed him, he exclaimed, "Towser wants to learn something too."

The thought of cleanliness was so emphasized that when one child saw a picture of a boy flying a kite with the wind blowing his clothing about, so as to give him an unkempt appearance, he exclaimed, "Gee ain't he a dirty boy!"

A new scholar, on being asked her father's occupation, replied that he was not working and was looking for "any old kind of a job." One little girl, on being condoled with on account of the loss of a tooth, exclaimed, "No, I did not lose a tooth, Miss Emma, it had to be pulled." While another, when told to put on her wraps, assured the kindergartner that she "did not wear anything but an umbrella to-day."

Many sacrifices were made by the parents to enable the children to bring a nickel or a dime for the weekly allowance, and on being told that the children might come when it was not possible to bring a contribution, much gratitude was expressed. The kindergartners not only looked after the welfare of the children during school hours, but they urged the children to attend Sunday-school. They even made arrangements for some one to accompany them at first, when their parents could not do so. The parents were also urged to have the children baptized.

The two Sunday-schools.—The Fifth Street Sunday-school had an enrollment of one hundred. Though the attendance was not as large as in former years, on account of the change of location, good work was done. The scholars were quick to learn, gave intelligent answers to questions, and sang the hymns most heartily. The Riverside Sunday-school has done good work, though the attendance has been small. Diphtheria became epidemic for some time, and entirely interrupted the work. Seven families mourn the loss of precious little ones. We are indebted to Miss Betty for good work done in the infant class.

The two Cooking Schools were most popular. One was held on Fifth Street and the other in Riverside. The children learned to make soup, biscuits, and batter-cakes, etc., which enabled them to be useful at home. There was great joy among the kindergarten children if any soup was left over for their luncheon the next day.

The Fifth Street Sewing School had an attendance of sixty and the Riverside of twelve. These were happy occasions for the children. We are greatly indebted to Mrs. A. D. White for keeping up the work during the summer while the missionaries were away on their vacations.

The Boys' Club had a good year. Eighty-five boys renewed their pledge or assumed it for the first time. The Superintendent says, in his report: "What has been done to help the boys to a higher life the future alone can tell. Two of our boys, regular attendants at the meetings last season, transgressed the laws and were caught and sent to the Refuge Home. I am of the firm conviction that it will be the making of one of the boys, for notwithstanding the fact that he was twelve years old when he entered the institution, he could scarcely write his own name and could not recite the alphabet. In a year's time such progress has been made that he now writes me long, boyish letters, brimming full of his heart's confidences."

The Queen Esther Circle had a membership of twenty-five. Most of the girls worked in the factories during the day, and considered it a privilege to meet at night, semi-monthly, to learn about missions.

The Treasurer, who had served faithfully for three years, left us to join the Angel Band. She was afflicted with tuberculosis, and insisted on attending the Circle until she was confined to bed. During her long illness she exhibited a sweet and patient spirit. She had been a member of our Sunday-school, Sewing School, and Cooking Class for years. Through the influence of the missionaries, she was a member of St. Paul's Church and was baptized.

The Home Guards Band met weekly at the Fifth Street Mission. The children enjoyed the missionary talks and the singing. The attendance was large, though they could contribute very little money. They

read the *Children's Home Missions* eagerly, one hundred copies of which were furnished by Mrs. O. J. Wilson.

The Mother's Meetings were held regularly, and were no small factors of the work. The money raised by their entertainments was used to defray the incidental expenses of the kindergartens. Some of these women are heroines. One was employed in running an apple machine in a pie bakery from 7 A. M. until 6 P. M., and made a home for her crippled father, two orphaned nieces, and a nephew. She had buried six children; her only surviving child was one of the brightest boys of the kindergarten. She was grateful for a holiday when she could attend to her laundry and sewing by daylight.

Another mother, struggling against disease and misfortune, was obliged to break up her home and put her children in some institution while she went out to work.

The Glenn Home Auxiliary was composed of thirty-five most enthusiastic members. They raised one hundred and twenty-four dollars, all but four dollars of which were used to pay their deaconess' allowance. The money was raised by the use of Mite-boxes and through the sale of fancy articles made by their own dear hands. One charter member, who had attended every meeting since the Auxiliary was organized, eleven years ago, was obliged to miss one meeting on account of illness.

The Cheerful Workers numbered twenty-five. They met semi-monthly, and made garments for the children of the kindergartens and Sunday-schools. Much of the materials were given them by merchants. They supplied the Sunday-school scholars with colored eggs at Easter, and gave ten dollars to the work.

The Fifth Street Auxiliary, though not large, reports that all dues were paid, and five dollars and a half secured to clean the Mission.

Over twenty-five hundred visits were made to God's poor by the workers. Many opportunities were found for prayer with the sick and dying in the homes of the people, and oftentimes the deaconess' room became a Bethel where weary souls found peace and rest. Eternity alone will reveal the number of names registered in the Lamb's Book of Life through this year's systematic visitation. Many thousand religious papers were distributed.

Our Christmas was an unusually happy one. Never before were there such gorgeous trees, and never before were our friends so generous with their gifts of dolls, toys, and money that the hearts of the children might be made glad. The children listened with rapt attention to the story of the Christ-child. It was not only a wonderful story, but a new story to many of them. Several of them assured the teacher that they told mother, father, and brother the story of the Christ-child. When shown a picture of the personification of December—an aged man carrying a Christmas tree, with a star in the background—one little girl immediately asked, "But where is the Christ-child?"

Hamilton, Lebanon, Troy, Middletown, and Columbia Circles sent beautiful dolls, as did Avondale, Clifton, Madisonville, First and Grace (Norwood), Northside, St. Paul's Walnut Hills, Wesley Chapel, DeGraff Auxiliaries, and also our Presbyterian friend, who never forgets us, Miss Weston. Money was received from a large number of Churches, Sunday-schools, and Epworth Leagues, but Price Hill Sunday-school carried off the palm with its gifts valued at sixty-one dollars for the poor. St. Paul's Circle, Cincinnati, gave fifty dollars. The Fairmount Epworth League is one of our oldest regular contributors. They pay quarterly to the work.

Supplies, including 3,164 garments, with new goods valued at \$876.03, were received during the year. We are especially grateful for the beautiful comforts that came from Middletown, Albion, Nicholson Circle,

Pa.; Fredonia, N. Y.; West Carrollton Circle, Irvin, Pa.; Milford, Trinity, Dayton, Walnut Hills; and the delicious canned fruit that was such a help financially, and so appetizing, from Monroe, Lebanon, Mayesbury, Hamilton, Nicholson Circle, Epsville, Pa., Milford, Hillsboro, and Fayette. The generous gifts of money, groceries, etc., received at the Pound Party, enabled us to send out a number of baskets to the poor at Thanksgiving and Christmas. The children were so proud of the warm new clothing made by Walnut Hills, Milford, the Cheerful Workers, and the Needlework Guild. Miss Doherty's school again remembered us by sending a large number of toys, dolls, and a box of clothing.

The usual number of outings were given. The parks and markets were visited. The Sunday-school picnic was held at Burnett Woods. The ice-cream was given by one of the members of the Board.

The Library Class was in charge of Miss Rose E. Loewenstein, who not only encouraged the children to read good books, but spent much time with them in their games.

The cut flowers and potted plants sent in from time to time greatly cheered God's poor, and beautified the Glenn Home table. The one hundred and fifty bunches of violets from the Milford Public School gave much happiness to the children.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, reports receipts \$2,662.75; disbursements, \$2,468.65; cash on hand, July 31, 1909, \$194.10.

The sum total of self-help amounted to over nine hundred dollars. The boarding department paid the board and laundry of four workers. The contributions from the various organizations, and the rent of stable completed this amount.

The Glenn Home Board most heartily thanks all who have in any way helped this beautiful work for Christ. The work is not ours, it is yours. We are but putting your gifts to their highest use by employing them to *show forth the love of God*. We are our brother's keepers, and if we are to obey His command, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me," must they not be brought to Him in the careful, systematic, painstaking manner in which we are carrying on this work?

O, the needy children of Cincinnati! Do you not carry them in your heart's love, more and more? Is any sacrifice too great to make in their behalf?

When Queen Helena rushed to the earthquake sufferers of Messina, in their gratitude the Italian people cried out, "We will not forget." Men may forget, but God never. Listen to His voice as He whispers, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." MRS. I. D. JONES, *Chairman of Committee*.

CUNNINGHAM ORPHANAGE.

Urbana, Illinois.

Our buildings are in better condition, our support more substantial, and results are greater than ever before.

We did not accomplish all we had planned, but marked improvements have been made and more will follow.

A private water supply system, which has always been needed so badly, is finally installed. A new brick pumphouse and toolhouse has been built, and concrete walks and steps have superseded brick and wood.

Six bottle babies are cared for by our very efficient nurse, Miss Terrill, while Misses Norfleet, Bennett, and Forester look after the interests of the children in school, kindergarten, and the sewing classes.

Miss Patterson, the Orphanage field-worker, has done valiant service in her line the past season, and Miss Ledgewood supervised the culinary department, and saw to it that the little ones had sufficient and wholesome food.

No serious illness has come upon us, and the fifty children sent to us by Providence are as healthy and happy as any to be found.

In His own good time we expect more buildings to accommodate the many that come to us, for surely this is God's work.

WM. A. DAVIS, *Superintendent*.

THE ELIZABETH A. BRADLEY CHILDREN'S HOME.

Hulton, Pa. P. O. Oakmont, Pa.

With thankful hearts we bring to you a short report of our fourth year. We have had twenty-five children in the Home this past year. When I look at the little ones and remember the ill-behaved, poorly-nourished children, as they came to us, and now see the healthy, happy faces and the marked improvement in every way, I feel most grateful to all who have contributed to their support.

I was as pleased and proud as our good Matron on my first visit after the close of the school year. The children had all done so well, many of them having a medal to show me, and one small Italian boy had two.

The teachers in the public schools speak well of our children, and say they are industrious and well-behaved, thus showing the effects of the Christian training received in the Home.

We have had some changes; three have been placed in good homes, but the vacancies were soon filled, as we always have a waiting list.

Our property is in good condition. We have had a fine garden, which has contributed greatly to the good health of the children.

Our Treasurer reports a small cash balance at the end of the fiscal year, which is a good showing for our work.

I can not close without a word of love and high commendation for our very efficient Superintendent, Mrs. Geo. A. Eyster. Her love and care for the little ones can not be excelled. The loving obedience given her tell plainer than words what she is to the inmates of the Home. May she long be spared to guide and guard them, is the heartfelt prayer of our Committee. MRS. P. D. PERCHMENT, *Chairman of Committee*.

THE ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME AND ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE MISSIONS.

139 Newberry Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

It has been said that there are "three great laws of the kingdom of God"—the law of service, the law of sacrifice, and the law of love. Our workers at Marcy Home are exemplifying this saying. For them to live and work in this neighborhood is indeed a sacrifice, and it is only because they can be of service and because they are impelled by love that they consent to work in the crowded Ghetto of Chicago.

A missionary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, a sister of a recent superintendent of Marcy Home, while visiting there said she would under no condition exchange places. Her field of labor was in Mexico, and she considered her work there easy compared to that of the missionaries of our Home.

A missionary from China, after walking through the crowded streets in the neighborhood of Marcy Home, said that except for the difference in language and dress she would think she was in the heart of China, or some foreign, heathen country.

The religious work at Marcy Home, under the supervision of the pastor, has been very successful. Special evangelistic services were held during the winter, with the result of a number of conversions and additions to the Church. Several young ladies have expressed a desire to fit themselves for missionary and deaconess work. The Sunday-school, with an average attendance of 135, has done excellent work. Church festivals and anniversaries have been observed by special programs, and the annual Sunday-school picnic was a great success. The Epworth and Junior Leagues have been active and energetic. The Epworth League, ranking second in the district, rendered valuable service in the open-air Sunday evening services held during the past summer on the Marcy Home corner. The Queen Esther Circle has a membership of 20, the Home Guards of 104, and the Mothers' Jewels of 60, and these are doing good work in their respective fields.

The dispensary, open daily, has cared for about five thousand patients during the year, most of them being women and children. The resident nurse also visits in the homes of the more severe cases.

The library has had a circulation of two thousand books per month. There are more than eleven hundred patrons, mostly young Jewish people, who await anxiously their day for taking out books. The crowds are so great in the afternoons, after school hours, that certain days are reserved for boys and other days for girls. The City Public Library gives about two hundred books per month, but we need more good history and fire-class literature, for our young Jewish friends are asking for the poets and high-grade prose.

The kindergarten has had an enrollment of fifty, with an average attendance of thirty-five. Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, patriotic and national holidays are always fittingly observed in drills, games, and songs by the children, and this department is very popular. A number of these little folks are supported on the scholarship plan by the Home Guards of Rock River Conference.

The kitchengarden, with an enrollment of forty, has been most successful in teaching elementary domestic science, bed-making, house-cleaning, arrangement of furniture, etc.

The cooking-school has done an excellent work, and at the spring exhibition had on sale various delicacies prepared by the pupils.

The sewing-school has also done well, and sent an exhibition to the Yukon-Alaska Exposition at Seattle. Volunteer teachers are greatly needed in this department.

The music school has had twenty-five regular pupils during the year, and this department is growing.

Gymnasium classes for both boys and girls have been maintained.

The Mother's Meetings have been well attended, and they are very popular.

Holiday outings and vacations were arranged for by our workers for many of our neighborhood people.

A new feature of our work this year was the opening of evening educational classes for young Jewish men and women recently arrived in the United States. Saturday afternoon lectures and a Sunday-school for the Jews were also instituted. The Superintendent says of the Jewish work:

"We are surprised and pleased at the genuine interest shown, and the regularity in attendance of the twenty-five young women and men eager

to learn to speak English. They are bright and quick, full of questions, and not afraid to make an effort at a pronunciation, even though they fail. Many have asked for New Testaments, so they can read and see if it will make them like their teachers. We have had earnest seekers, saying they would be glad to believe there was something after this life. No woman in any heathen land is more utterly benighted than are many of these mothers in the Ghetto. 'I light a candle at feast time, but I know not *why*.' O the heart, the whole life, utterly devoid of love or hope! Get a gleam of the gospel of love into the hearts of the women, and the domestic life of the future generations will improve. Nothing sweet, nothing tender, nothing clean in their life, no respect or help from husband or son, the woman is an abject physical slave. O pour out your prayers! No, your money first—then every other blessing you have; come help, teach, train, persuade, enlighten, encourage these helpless sisters who have come from the ends of the earth, and are knocking at Marcy Home.

"At the close of our evening Jewish classes we had a social, and one hundred and ten people from sixteen to thirty-five years of age were here. It was an inspiring sight to see this swarm of foreign-born folks accepting our friendship and believing in our kindly feeling. Happy, well-behaved, some timid because of lack of English words, yet bright with a will to learn. Will we, can we, ever pay the debt we owe to Israel?"

"We began Jewish Sabbath-school with five and closed with thirty-four, and at our Saturday afternoon lecture to adults we had from twelve to forty-five. First to the Jew, then to the Gentile. We will often be deceived, we will often be discouraged, but of a truth it is laid upon Marcy Home to open work for the Jew on practical lines."

Mrs. M. M. Rocheleau, chairman of the Italian work, reports faithful work done by Miss Ida M. Jacobus, who has labored for six years in the Italian Mission, at 98 Blue Island Avenue. The people of this neighborhood are laboring to build a new Church, which is greatly needed among the twenty-five thousand Italians surrounding the mission. As soon as the building is put up our missionary expects to open several new lines of work.

Miss L. Panetty, a finely educated and consecrated deaconess, speaking English and Italian fluently, was engaged early in the year for work among her native people at Joliet. She is in love with her work, and is teaching in night school, sewing-school, Sunday-school, etc., and doing everything she can to show the Italians of that city her dear Master.

Mrs. Lillie J. Hicks, Chairman of the work at Ada Street, reports faithful and earnest work on the part of our two missionaries, Mrs. Allie M. Boyd and Mrs. Lizzie G. Starks. The district surrounding Ada Street Church is one of the most difficult fields in Chicago. There are within easy reach of this Church more than sixty thousand people, most of whom are American-born citizens. A very large percentage of these people are of the Catholic faith; but few of either Catholic or Protestant, however, are interested in religious work of any kind. A Christian home for young women in this neighborhood is very much desired, and it is hoped one may be opened the coming year.

Mrs. Fannie Ryan, Chairman of the South Chicago work, reports a busy year's work for our missionary deaconess, Miss Emily Herolz, who has been very successful in her present position for the past three years.

In this mission field, with a population of sixty thousand, there are forty-two nationalities, speaking thirty-five languages and 114 dialects. There is one saloon for every twenty-eight voters, or for every two hundred of the population, and this is one of the worst "white-slave" dis-

tricts in the city of Chicago. Here are located the Illinois Steel Mill, employing from ten thousand to thirteen thousand men, the Iroquois Iron Works, the United States Smelting Works, boiler works, ship yards, railroad shops, etc. And in many of these industries the men have to work Sundays the same as other days.

Mrs. C. C. McLean, Chairman of the work at Spring Valley and Ladd, reports faithful, earnest, and arduous work done by our missionaries at those points.

Miss Lena E. Peterson has been connected with our Society for two years, and her work at Spring Valley has proven her efficiency as a helper to the pastor in visiting the homes, and working in the Church and Sunday-school. Miss Peterson has been granted two years' leave of absence in which to take medical work.

Miss Alice G. Carmichael has been in the employ of the Society less than a year, having taken up the work at Ladd last January, but is proving her efficiency for missionary work in this most difficult field.

In response to an urgent call from Chicago Heights, our Society sent Miss Grace E. Hall to begin work in that place, July 19, 1909. Chicago Heights, a suburb of Chicago, is a manufacturing town of about ten thousand people, two-thirds of whom are foreigners, mostly Italians, Polish, and Greeks. A cooking and sewing-school were opened in a small building owned by the Methodist Church, and both are proving very successful. In fact, the work is so popular that the residents of Hungry Hill, an Italian settlement, are begging Miss Hill to open a sewing class in that neighborhood. The School Board has offered a room in the school building for this purpose, and a class will soon be organized there. Miss Hall expects soon to organize a Mothers' Club. This work at Chicago Heights has the support of others besides Methodists. A sewing-machine and sewing material are needed.

The residents of Marcy Home and our missionaries in the Conference all deserve commendation for their faithful and persistent efforts for the religious and social betterment of the people among whom they work, and their labors are greatly appreciated. The members of the Committee also deserve praise for the faithful performance of their duties.

We bespeak for Marcy Home and our several mission fields the interest of every member and friend of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and earnestly solicit their co-operation.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least one of these, My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

MRS. D. D. THOMPSON, *Chairman of Committee.*

SUSANNA WESLEY HOME FOR SCANDINAVIAN YOUNG WOMEN.

214' 33d Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The Home has completed the second year of its existence. It was a successful year, though filled with financial struggles.

We see more and more the necessity of such places where our homeless and strange young women can find a loving, open heart, a cheerful Christian home, an uplift in the struggle through life, a rest and a helping hand in sickness and weariness.

Two hundred and sixty-four Scandinavian young women have during the year, for a longer or shorter time, stayed at the Home, and their many grateful testimonies express their appreciation of the Home. But

the Home is far too small; we must enlarge it during the coming year to be able to render a more sufficient help and meet the pressing demand. We need your prayers and financial aid, and that God will open some way of meeting the needs.

Our dear Superintendent, Miss Augusta Challman, has put in a strenuous year, meeting many trains, visiting the hospitals, working in and looking after everything at the Home, having a cheerful word and a warm heart for everybody; she is certainly filling her heavenly crown. May God richly bless her many years in His service, and may the Home continue to send out its Christ-reflecting sun rays to many shadowed hearts!

(MISS) INEZ JOHANSON, *Secretary*.

UTICA ITALIAN MISSION.

98 Third Ave, Utica, N. Y.

The Italian Mission closed a successful school year the last days of June. We have employed two workers—Hattie E. Davis, deaconess, and Clara M. Simmons, kindergartner, in the regular work. The extra helpers have been I. Ruth Tapping, Mary J. Jones, and Gertrude M. Ludden, and a large amount of volunteer work has been done by Mrs. G. O. Pennock and other local workers.

The Rev. S. W. Brown gave an address on Lincoln's and on Washington's anniversary. Our numbers have been limited by the capacity of our Mission House. We have raised about \$1,400 towards securing a permanent mission property, and are forming plans to make the amount \$10,000.

Our workers have been well received by the Italian people, as they have visited in their homes. The children are bright and happy, and ambitious to be American citizens. There is an increasing opportunity for usefulness for our Mission among this neglected people, and our work expands beyond our ability to meet its requirements.

MRS. I. L. HUNT, *Chairman of Committee*.

ITALIAN MISSION, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

"Que d'Italia vi salutano." "They of Italy salute you."

The Italian Mission has been a veritable workshop the past year; the Bible and the spelling-book the tools; building for eternity the plan, the aim; the fruits of our efforts have been such as should inspire to larger planning and doing.

The night school was opened October 15, 1909, with an enrollment of forty. These men were quiet, earnest, and thoughtful students.

There was a shortage of teaching force for those who came to us for help and instruction. We had to take those that had had the two previous winters' instruction and put them in charge of the beginners, they doing their best to teach what they could do so imperfectly themselves. Poor as this teaching must be, it was the best that could be done. We continued the labors of the school as actively and faithfully as we could. It was truly hard work and caused the school to close earlier than usual.

The sewing classes have been larger than either session of 1906 or 1907.

Some time elapsed before, with all my efforts, I could comprehend some of the scholars and their nature. Wholly untaught, and with

faculties quite torpid, they seemed hopelessly dull; and, at first sight, all dull alike; but I found I was mistaken. There was a difference among them as among the educated; and when I got to know them, and they me, this difference rapidly developed itself. Many showed themselves obliging, and amiable, too; and I discovered among them not a few examples of natural politeness and innate self-respect, as well as excellent capacity, that won both my good-will and admiration. These soon took a pleasure in doing their work well, in keeping their persons neat, in learning their tasks regularly, in acquiring quiet and orderly manners. I found estimable characters among them, characters desirous of information and disposed for improvement, with whom I enjoyed many visits in their homes. Their parents were most courteous and attentive. There was an enjoyment in accepting their simple kindness, and in repaying it by consideration, a scrupulous regard for their feelings—to which regard they were not, perhaps, at all times accustomed, and which both charmed and benefited them, because, while it elevated them in their own eyes, it made them emulous to merit the deferential treatment they received.

The "Maestro" receives a cordial welcome among these people of generous salutations and friendly smiles. To live amidst general regard, though it be the regard of working people, is like "sitting in sunshine, calm and sweet; serene inward feelings bud and bloom under the ray."

Many articles of useful wearing apparel were made by these young girls. Bright colored zephyrs were "knitted" into many shapes—Tam-o'-Shanters, capes, mats, and "lines" with which the children enjoyed playing "horse." The "kindergarten" was a most absorbing study. So numerous were the children that the accommodations were inadequate, but the little ones were too happy to care for such trifles as sitting upon the floor, coal scuttles, and window ledges. Sewing cards, stencil work, and mat weaving were their occupation.

These little ones have a way of twining themselves around the hearts of their teachers and make it almost impossible to be other than faithful in their attendance.

Tuesday evening of each week is devoted to Bible study; Thursday evening is the regular "prayer and praise" service. The attendance is most gratifying. The services on the Sabbath are the "finest of the wheat," gathering at 10.30 A. M., 2.30 P. M., and 7.30 P. M. The whole family are expected to attend both the morning and the evening services. The children are usually divided between the parents, the father taking the baby and bringing the "bottle of milk" in his coat pocket. The older ones are left to the mother, that she may enjoy uninterruptedly the sermon.

One of our women received her early training in a mission school in Italy. Having need of care she could not have at home, she was placed in the hospital, and while there she told of her early life and of her desire to unite with the mission. This she did upon her return home, and she is faithful in attendance upon all the services, bringing her husband and child with her. These are the "diamonds in the rough," but when the gospel of love touches their hearts it works from the inside, and the outside becomes polished.

Easter morning eighty people partook of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The joy of having a living Christ was manifested in an unusual degree, some smiling, some weeping, and others breaking out in audible prayer.

Special services are held for the baptism of children. The rules of the Discipline are read, and sermons given upon the duties of parents as

regards the rearing of the children in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

The testimonies given and the prayers offered at the Epworth League meeting are the praise and benediction from grateful hearts, and we rejoice in a Savior who is not a respecter of persons.

The Sunday-school is a "garden of the Lord's"—roses galore, johnnie-jump-ups, camillas, and violets; Cyrus, Constanzia, Antonio, and Joseph, with David and Paul, are the high-sounding names of some of our boys. The older children are cared for by the Italian pastor and the superintendent, while the younger ones are taught by volunteer teachers, but they are faithful in their service.

The evening meeting is always a crowded one, and many times the pastor must be most quiet in his movements, so closely is he pressed by the children present; at these meetings many come questioning and go away rejoicing. Yes, Sunday is a hard day as regards duties, but the joy of service on that day causes the worker at its close calmly and sweetly to say, "If the Lord wills, I'll serve another day."

The "hospital service" has come to occupy much time and strength of the superintendent; the placing of those in need of such service means quite a few visits and earnest solicitation. Unacquainted with the motives and methods employed by those wishing to serve them, and having suffered at the hands of those whom they had reason to believe were interested in their cases, rather than their money, it can not be otherwise than an unusual interest when they are comfortably placed in the hospital. The joy of new health beaming from their eyes, and the warm hand-clasp; the grateful kiss bestowed upon the hand of the "worker" amply repays for the time and strength spent in their behalf. The "white plague" has fastened itself upon several of the young girls and ere the leaves fall they will have gone home. While our hearts must ache, for we love them, we shall be glad for their home-coming to their poor, sick bodies. How much could be done for these people if we only remembered they belong to the "Father" of all!

Had we a "home" in connection with our work, where our girls and boys might come as to a home, our mothers feel they could bring the babies and sit awhile; the social hour for the families to meet and enjoy the giving of the gospel of right living would mean much toward answering the salutation. We plead for the result of the salutation for the "Italian Mission" endeavor. It is a clear call. The "inasmuch" is plain. Results justify. Good is done to established work. From first to last it is God's will we return the salutation.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

Number of hours, Night school	120
Number of hours, Sewing school	53
Number of hours, Sunday-school	60
Number of calls, Family	319
Number of calls, Hospital	70
Average attendance, Night school	30
Average attendance, Sewing classes	130
Average attendance, Sunday-school	70
Average attendance, Sunday morning service	60
Average attendance, Sunday evening service	55

MRS. DANIEL SMITH, *Superintendent.*

PITTSBURG CONFERENCE COKE MISSION.

The Pittsburg Conference Coke Mission has been established for about twenty-five years, during eighteen years of which the Woman's Home Missionary Society has had special workers in connection with it. For the past fifteen years the work has been under the superintendence of Rev. S. W. Davis. Under his direction are working the Bohemian pastor at Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; the Slavic and Italian colporteurs who work in vacation months, and two women missionaries—one Bohemian, one English—who are supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The region included in this work covers almost the entire Connellsville Coke District—containing the large towns of Uniontown, Connellsville, Scottdale, and Greensburg. Around these towns are grouped many coke villages, with an approximate population of seventy-five thousand foreigners.

Five chapels have been built in villages, many Sunday-schools organized, out-door meetings held, one Slavic Church established at Mt. Pleasant, and the gospel heralded throughout the region by means of colporteurs and visiting missionaries. Rev. V. J. Louzecky, who now has charge of the Anthracite Mission, was the first Bohemian worker employed. Through his earnest labors the Society at Mt. Pleasant was organized, which is now in charge of Rev. Jos. Donat. The latest development of the work has been the purchase of a Home for Mission workers at Uniontown. This property is already freed from debt, the mortgage having been lifted by Mr. Lloyd McCrum, of New York City.

Uniontown, Pa.

For ten years, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Miss Anna Sipek, our faithful worker, has been laboring in Uniontown and the outlying coke villages. She has been a ministering angel to the Slavic people, watching by the sick, comforting friends at the death of a loved one, supplying want in the way of food and clothes, and ever in all these ministries through word and example showing forth "that true Light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world." Thus she has gained a hearty welcome in many homes where she was almost denied an entrance in the first year of her work.

Special work among the children in sewing-schools and Sabbath-schools has been done, and also special work among the Slovak girls, who come to this country to find work. Employment has been found for hundreds of such girls, and then the invitation to the sewing evening, usually accepted, has brought opportunity to teach the Scripture and tell of Jesus and His power to save.

God has specially blessed this worker in the bringing up of a Bohemian girl whom she took to live with her. This young woman is now in her last year in high school, and is an intelligent, spirit-filled Christian whose practical help in the mission work is invaluable.

Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

Miss Elizabeth S. Davis has been doing parish work for the last year at the Bohemian Mission in Mt. Pleasant, Pa., being associated with the Bohemian pastor, Rev. Jos. Donat.

Many visits have been made both among our mission people and the general Slavic community. The special effort was for the young people. A social-room, cheerfully fitted up, has been provided in the Mission

Building. This has been open two evenings of each week until 10.30, thus furnishing Christian social environment for the boys and girls who took advantage of the music, games, and reading there provided for them.

God has sanctified the means used in this room to inspire a love for the higher and nobler things in life. One young man who had been playing the violin for Slavish and Bohemian dances has given them up completely, and, as a result of practicing classical music in the social-room, will go to a music school this fall.

An arithmetic class for Bohemian boys was held each Friday evening.

We have the greatest cause for thanksgiving to God in that five or six of the young people have definitely professed Christ.

MRS. S. W. DAVIS, *Chairman of Committee.*

DEPARTMENT OF DEACONESS WORK.

Miss HENRIETTA A. BANCROFT, General Superintendent and Field Secretary of Deaconess Work.

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It goes without saying that the majority of our intelligent Methodists are anxious to know the interpretation of the rules of the Church relating to our much-prized Deaconess work. It has for some years been evident that clear laws were demanded, and that these be definitely interpreted.

Therefore, the General Conference, at its meeting in Baltimore in 1908, created a Deaconess Committee, whose report to the Conference was unanimously adopted. This committee, a body of earnest, devout men and women, during the month had worked strenuously, often into the late hours of the night, in order to arrive at some definite rules by which to harmonize and control all lines of deaconess service. As most of the members of this committee had long been engaged in some form of deaconess administration, they were conversant with its problems. They were also more familiar with church polity than is the average deaconess, hence far more able to see the need of wise legislation, and the danger of erratic measures, which, if adopted, would prove destructive to the work itself.

Our Church at large had also definitely reached the conclusion that there must be some central Board which should interpret the laws of the Church relating to the deaconess, and be able to speak with authority upon these laws. Furthermore, it was determined that this Board should be composed of representatives of each of the three already existing branches, namely, the deaconess work under the direction of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the deaconess work under the control of the German Central Board, and the deaconess work under the newly organized Methodist Deaconess Association. After much discussion, it was finally agreed that this Board consist of two Bishops, of two members from each of the three forms of deaconess administration, and three members at large, making a working Board of eleven. This General Deaconess Board was nominated by the Board of Bishops, and elected by the General Conference at Baltimore.

Its first meeting was held in the Central Methodist Episcopal Church of Detroit, Mich.

The Board was organized, and proceeded at once to form its various

necessary working committees. As an illustration of its importance, the first committee settled upon was the Committee on "Garb." How were our dear sisters to be garbed? This, on its surface, seems a very small matter; but, when the question involves personal tastes, and some personal vagaries; when a number of untrained women have felt that because they loved God and their sisters also, that they too would be deaconesses, and have therefore assumed the garb, being responsible to no one,—it was time to state with definiteness who could wear the garb, and what was the judgment of the Church when one falsely assumed it. The General Conference passed this resolution: "No person shall be recognized or employed as a deaconess of the Methodist Episcopal Church who fails to comply with the Disciplinary requirements. Each deaconess shall wear the prescribed garb. The wearing of this distinctive deaconess garb by a member of our Church who is not entitled to wear it, shall be regarded as a violation of our order and Discipline." The law further proceeds to say that only licensed deaconesses are to wear the mark of this peculiar form of service.

The General Deaconess Board has now officially adopted a distinctive garb, and a committee has been appointed to attend to its legal registration. This should for the future prove a complete protection.

There were also formed the other following committees. The "Committee on Government," whose duty should be to supply proper blanks for reporting the work; to decide the age limit for the acceptance of a worker; to limit the leave of absence of a deaconess from her work; that the deaconess shall become a member of the Church where she resides or serves, and that the deaconess shall make an annual report, either personally or through her Quarterly Conference, to the Annual Conference before her license may be renewed.

Then there is the "Committee on Publicity," whose duties are to publish in leaflet form the most important actions of this Board, as well as the new Deaconess Chapter from the Discipline; to prepare programs for Epworth Leagues, Churches, and Deaconess organizations; to plan for conventions to be held in different parts of the country; to request the two Bishops who are members of this Board to prepare an official address containing an appeal to the Church on behalf of the deaconess cause. There was also appointed a "Committee on Conventions and Public Meetings," a "Committee on Blanks," and a "Committee on a Supplementary Course of Study."

The duties relating to these committees, and the resolutions, have been published in our Church papers, and also can be procured in leaflet form of the Secretary of the General Deaconess Board.

Now what is the significance of all these formalities? In reply we answer they are to unify aims; to define the relations of the deaconess to the Church, and its officials; to make each one holding the office of deaconess to feel that she is a part of a great organization of the Church, and that she must act her part well, must be a respecter of Church law in order that she may in no way reflect dishonor upon the Church and her noble calling. Every point taken by the General Deaconess Board has been to shelter, endorse, and strengthen the deaconess, to care for and give efficiency and dignity to this form of Christian service, and consequently to make more effective the deaconess herself. She has given herself because she has seen the great needs of this sinning and sorrowing world. God has spoken to her heart and has called her to serve. Perhaps she is wise in her own nature, perhaps she is emotional and immature. However, the Church accepted her, has trained her in its schools, and has sent her out as one of its officers.

In order to bring all things within proper proportion and right perspective with the general thought of the Church, laws were laid down by the General Conference, and these laws have been interpreted by the General Deaconess Board. As a body, the deaconesses themselves are most grateful for the aid and inspiration thus given. They are now ready, as a part of a great organization, to go forward with the work to which they have felt God has called them, knowing their privileges and their limitations.

They know that they are to go out to give the organic touch of life, the heart flowing to heart, warming each the other as living organic entities, giving the touch which is the only kind that wins to better life. They know that they must carry cheerful faces, welcoming hands, and kind words if through them Christ is to be accepted, and life thus sweetened.

"No life can be pure in its purpose and strong in its strife,
And all life not be purer and stronger thereby."

Some of our deaconesses have been wise enough to see that good laws, well made and enacted, may themselves be steps toward holiness. More than anything else does our nation need a great overwhelming wave of civic righteousness, out from which godliness may spring. In this the deaconess, in her own quiet way, can be of great service by influencing the minds of men who want their votes to count for the best, but are not sufficiently informed to know how to reach their goal.

It is pleasant and suggestive to note that workers chosen by Governor Harmon, of Ohio, and Mayor Johnson, of Cleveland, Ohio, to represent the State and city at the National Conference of Charities and Corrections, recently held in Buffalo, N. Y., were both deaconesses; one, Miss Laura Morris, superintendent of the Cleveland Deaconess Home; the other, Miss Louise Willmott, formerly superintendent of the same Home. Also, in St. Paul, Minn., the municipal authorities have appointed Miss Clara Midcalf, superintendent of the Deaconess Home of that city, as probation officer, while civic officers of many other cities are frequently in counsel with our deaconesses, when help and advice are needed.

But while we desire the bodies to be fed, clothed, and housed, our workers are trying to inspire those for whom they toil with aspirations toward the Source of all power and love. Their teachings must reach the ignorant and undeveloped in some form of concrete expression, if they are to win; but God who gives to the heart the desire to tell of His love will show the way and answer this sweet prayer:

"Use me, God, in Thy great harvest field,
Which stretcheth far and wide like a wide sea.
The gatherers are so few, I fear the precious yield
Will suffer loss. O, find a place for me!

"A place where best the strength I have will tell,
It may be one the other toilers shun;
Be it a wide or narrow place, 't is well,
So that the work it holds be only done."

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

Standing Committee on the Permanent Deaconess Fund.

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"They are slipping away, these sweet, swift years,
Like a leaf on the current cast,
With never a break in the rapid flow,
We watch them as one by one they go
Into the beautiful past."

We are grateful that another year for labor has been ours. Burdens have been heavy, calls numerous and urgent, nevertheless labor has been sweet, and as we stand beholding the year as it slips away we are glad and grateful. Not for personal benefits alone are we giving thanks. Health and blessed opportunity for service have been the heritage of the great number of our deaconesses. The angel of death has claimed but few, and these having fought a good fight and finished their course, went home in chariots of gold to the Eternal City. We have occasion for thanksgiving because of the marked increase in interest and offerings for our Permanent Deaconess Fund. All our appeals for aid have not found a welcome response. Many have. Of this we are confident, when once all those to whom God has given wealth have heard of our most worthy efforts, they will give more abundantly. We have longed for *large* gifts, for shining shekels by the thousands, and this is still our desire. However, if every individual Home, institution, and Conference give their apportionment, quickly and annually, we will be well able to meet all the demands upon us for the care and comfort of the servants of the Church.

Of donations, bequests, annuities we are always sure. The financial statements testify to good, wholesome growth. Investments are safe and all is well. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has never yet left one of its workers unprovided for. God has His faithful custodians. The work belongs to Him, and we are the "sheep of His pasture."

"Back of the loaf is the snowy flour,
And back of the flour the mill.
And back of the mill is the shower,
And the sun, and the Father's will."

Standing Committee on Our National Training-schools.

Mrs. D. A. MINARD, Chairman.
Mr. J. S. McCONNELL, Auditor.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has no more important work before it to-day than the maintenance of its Training-schools.

It was my pleasant duty to meet for the first time with the National Training-schools Committee, in January, at the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school, and at that time to assume the duties of Chairman of this committee. I may say that to take this position which had been so ably filled by our President, I considered with reluctance. As it came to me unsought, I hesitated to refuse. If the Lord so willed, I wished to serve. I shall do my best, trusting the Master to give needed wisdom.

During the closing years of the last century the Society saw the need of trained service, and early in connection with the Deaconess Movement schools were founded for the training of its deaconesses and missionaries. These have been developed, until in the three National Training-schools there is a fine equipment for training in the various departments of deaconess service. The demand for workers demonstrates the value placed upon trained service. Large plans are being made for the greater efficiency of these courses. The best instructors obtainable are secured for the Bible, literature, domestic science, kindergarten, and this year an added course in scientific temperance instruction. Nurse training is provided by the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, D. C., in Sibley Hospital, which is a department of the institution, and is regarded as one of the best hospitals in that city. The annual expense of this school to the student is one hundred and twenty-five dollars, exclusive of laundry. Many young women are availing themselves of this opportunity for this Christian training.

I was much gratified with the careful, wise administration of the President, the Rev. Dr. W. H. Wilder, who apparently delegates to another no duty belonging to himself; also with the interest of the entire Faculty in bringing out from each student the best that is in her; and with the sweet spirit of harmony among the young women. Especial emphasis, in the future, is to be placed upon practical training, and we anticipate sending out from this school of practice deaconesses and missionaries that will be trained not only in theoretical, but also in practical methods.

Two new courses are to be introduced this year, one in scientific temperance instruction, referred to above, and the other in the Woman's Home Missionary organization, which includes the Constitution and By-laws of the society, together with practical training in organizing auxiliaries and in other methods of our society. This latter course has, for some time, been in operation at Kansas City and San Francisco Training-schools. I wish to say that I believe the Lord led in the selection of Dr. Wilder as our President at Washington. He is a man of rare judgment, strong convictions, fearless in standing for them, and withal is possessed of a sweet Christian spirit. His aim is to guard well your financial interests.

Recognition should be made of the valuable service rendered by Mr. J. S. McConnell, whose monthly reports are an open book. I bespeak for him your highest appreciation, as also for the other members of the Faculty who are conscientious and painstaking.

It has not been my privilege to visit the schools at Kansas City and San Francisco. The monthly reports that have reached me with regularity show a healthy condition of interest and growth. Under the leadership of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Willis in the latter, and of Miss Anna Neiderheiser in the former, these schools are eminently fortunate. I am looking forward with interest to my visits later to these institutions.

A new feature to which I wish to call your attention, and which was adopted by the Board of Trustees at the April meeting, is the establishment of permanent scholarships on the payment of \$2,500, such scholarships to bear the name of the donor, who during his or her life may designate the beneficiary of the scholarship. This student shall be entitled to board and tuition during her training. Also the establishment of an endowment for beds in Sibley Hospital on the payment of \$1,000, the bed to bear a name which the donor shall select, is one of our plans. Who will be the donor?

TO OUR NATIONAL TRAINING-SCHOOL MANAGERS:

Dear Sisters—We need your help, not alone in raising beneficiary funds, but in finding suitable young women who may pay their own way; or, if unable to do this, yourself find those worthy of the help of the Society. We would especially urge that you recommend as students only those in good health and possessed of a deep spiritual life. It is also desirable that there should be in the proposed candidate a good basis of intelligence and some advancement in higher education, at least a part of a high school course. Will you not also endeavor to interest friends with money to help in the schools nearest you?

We must have larger appropriations, and an early payment of the same. The schools are yours and must depend upon the faithful performance of your duty. When your Conference is planning for the next year's campaign, urge that the Training-schools are well remembered. Let me repeat the opening sentence of this report, "The society has no more important work to-day than the maintenance of its Training-schools." The schools are in need of books, of periodicals (especially such as bear upon sociological questions), and of supplies for table and house. These needs are especially felt for our school at Washington. Will the Eastern Conferences, in planning for their supply work, remember Washington Training-school? Above all, we need your co-operation and your prayers.

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The responsibility of the President of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school for Missionaries and Deaconesses began October 1, 1908, the date of the opening of the school year. The chief position in the Bible department of instruction being vacant, Prof. DeWitt E. Croissant, Ph. D., of George Washington University, and Rev. James E. Gilbert, D. D., were secured for the classes until January 1st. By these scholarly and Christian men the classes in Bible history and literature were well cared for.

Miss Minnie E. Frickey, M. A., having been called and elected as teacher in this department, began her duties January 4th. Her deep spirituality, gentle and unselfish spirit and manner almost immediately won for her a large place in the Rust Hall household. Though at a great disadvantage, having entered upon her duties so late, she completed the work of the year with great credit to herself and to the institution. She will enter upon her class work duties this fall after

having spent the spring and summer months in study and travel in the Holy Land.

The kindergarten department has been especially strong under the efficient direction of Miss Bright, and was never more so than during this year. It is a matter of great regret that home duties have compelled Miss Bright to resign. We have, however, secured a successor qualified to fill her place in the person of Miss Margaret Whitman, a graduate of the Chicago Kindergarten College. She comes to us from the kindergarten department of the State Normal School at Stevens Point, Wis.

The domestic science department is ably conducted by Miss Condry, its Principal, and is becoming more and more popular among the students. The "House Mother," Miss Peck, is admirably suited to her duties, and her drill in catechism and doctrines of the Methodist Church is thorough.

Miss Mattie Gray gave most eminent satisfaction as the director in vocal music and chorus singing, as she has for so many years. Upon the "deaconess allowance" she gives our students training for which others gladly pay many times this sum.

Of the home life in Rust Hall, I can not do better than quote another: "There had been efforts to represent the work of our Bible Training-schools from accounts heard and read; but lo, the half had not yet been told me. Beautiful 'Rust Hall' was built to meet every need of the student. The chapel with costly memorial windows, the spacious parlors, the library, the reading-room where we enjoy the welcome weekly visits of the good 'Advocates,' the class-rooms for Bible classes, cooking, sewing, basketry, gymnasium, and kindergarten are all well equipped; and, greatest of all, each provision, from the deep-toned pipe-organ to the treasured volume in library case, represents some one's sacrifice for love for the cause. But best of all is the prevailing spirit of unity, the common concern that the institution be of widest blessing. The courses of study are truly practical, and the daily noon meetings, the regular Tuesday evening general prayer service, led by the seniors in turn, the sacred vesper hour, the valuable chapel lectures by the President, are all sources of power."

"Would that scores of our Methodist girls might take advantage of these high privileges."

"A few years spent in preparation for the sublimest part of life's service for every woman, whether in the home or church, at any measure of cost would yet become to her the rarest enrichment of earth." These and many similar words of appreciation are often culled from the letters of our graduates.

Miss Cartes K. Swartz, field representative for the school, has done hard and faithful service, often under most trying circumstances. We hope that the future harvest from her seed-sowing will be rich.

Sibley Hospital continues to grow in influence, efficiency, and usefulness. Miss Haven, the director of nurses, and her assistants are as unselfish and self-sacrificing Christian women as have come in the range of my knowledge. In fact, Miss Havens, who is a deaconess, is doing heroic Christian work.

The Sibley Guild, an organization of Washington women, stands loyally by the hospital, and renders it most valuable service. The Guild is wholly responsible for the new elevator in the hospital, as well as for many other blessings and comforts.

Congress courteously tendered the hospital a contract for caring for such patients as the Government might see fit to send us. The proposi-

tion was carefully considered by the members of the Board, and the offer was respectfully declined on the ground that it would be impracticable for us to do the character of work which would be demanded of us under the contract without seriously interfering with the primary objects of the hospital.

Expensive improvements have been made to the property of the Training-school, which is well worth \$250,000. Other improvements are being made to conserve our interests and increase the efficiency of the institution.

In connection with the Normal Training for Sunday-school, Epworth League, and parish work there will be instituted, October 1st, a "School of Practice." Every student in the institution, under the direction of the President and the various teachers, will have actual experience in the field. Each day's work will be carefully itemized for criticism by the teacher. More or less institutional work will thus be done among both white and colored people. Our training is to be actual and practical as well as theoretical.

During the year there were in attendance upon the various courses of study 116 students, representing twenty-five States, the District of Columbia, and Finland. Forty young women were graduated in May; fifteen in the Bible course, fifteen in the nurse training course, six from the kindergarten teachers' course, and one from the Bible kindergarten course. The number of applications for admission in October is large, more perhaps than we will be able to admit.

Permit me to record my high appreciation of the kindness, sympathy, and aid shown me by the chief officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, by the Local Board of Directors, the members of the Faculty, and the ministers of the city of Washington, who believe God has greater things to be accomplished by this organization, and that we may have a part of their accomplishments.

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The past year we have endeavored to obey the command of God, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward," and as we review the work we feel that we can say with joyous assurance of the king of old, "There hath not failed one word of all His good promises concerning us."

We have tried faithfully to fulfill the mission of this growing institution. The standard has not only been maintained, but advance ground has been taken. The building has been crowded with some of the best products of our Western homes.

Kansas City Methodism is justly proud of its National Training-school, and the work of the resident Faculty is reinforced by the best talent of the city. Ministers, teachers, charity workers, doctors, lawyers, and business men vie with each other in helpfulness. The co-operation of these strong forces of education and training produce results gratifying in the extreme, it bringing to the students as it does an unusual breadth of vision and culture of mind and soul.

A class of fifteen—all deaconesses—was graduated June 1st. The Commencement exercises brought together large companies of enthusiastic, interested friends from the city and surrounding towns. Strong sermons and addresses were given, the influence of which will live long in the lives of those who were privileged to hear them.

An interesting feature of Commencement was a meeting of the Fisk Alumnae Association, when a pledge was taken to raise \$2,000 during the next three years to endow an alumnae scholarship, thus making the influence of the association perpetual.

Immediately following the Commencement exercises, thirty-six deaconesses, most of them graduates from this school, gathered for the Annual Deaconess Conference for the Western Deaconess Bureau, which proved a season of helpfulness and refreshment.

The absolute need for more room has been temporarily supplied in the erection of a new building, which was paid for entirely by local subscriptions; this fact shows the confidence of our people in the school. It contains a large laundry, gymnasium, and a domestic science kitchen, which has already been equipped by the Fisk Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

In addition to the erection of the new building, other improvements have been made during the year. The sewer was connected, gas put in, and \$1,575 special taxes paid. Some of the interior walls have been decorated and furnishings renewed. It has been a year of strenuous effort for those in charge, but it has also been a year of progress with daily cause for gratitude and praise.

On the first of October, 1908, the first issue of the *Kansas City Deaconess* was sent out. This is an eight-page publication in the interest of our Training-school, and the Deaconess Work of the Middle West and Southwest. It has met with a hearty reception, and already has a subscription list of over one thousand.

We have received several new books as gifts for the Library, the

largest one being a set of the International Encyclopedia from the Junior class.

The future is full of promise and we earnestly ask for the continued prayer and support of all interested in the cause of training and equipping Christian workers.

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The past year has been the best in our history. The gradual increase in the number of students means that our graduates are making us many friends for this most helpful work.

When Pacific Coast Methodism learns of the quality of our work we will be compelled to tear down and build on a larger scale. Teachers

and students have wrought faithfully, and those competent and in a position to judge, say without solicitation, "Well done."

With great profit we have walked and talked with the Master in the Holy City, amid the cornfields, orchards, vineyards, and homes of the weary, toiling multitudes, and along the shores of blue Galilee, where dwelt and toiled the fishermen who were to turn the world upside down and lay foundations for a new and better civilization; and while sitting at the feet of the Great Teacher during these happy months, there has come a clearer vision of the world's deep need and the world's mighty Savior, and an inspiration to become workers faithful and true that need not be ashamed. The many hours spent in patient study, the drill of the class-room, and the discipline in Field Work, all this has brought a development to the student that will tell for good in the days and years to come for the kingdom of God.

The deaconesses have been in love with their task, and have stayed by it. It is the same old story of poverty and sickness, sin, sorrow, and heartache, and an honest, sincere effort in the strength and love of the Great Physician to bear sunshine, comfort, and hope to those whom Jesus loves. These who have not counted their lives dear unto themselves have been abundant in labors and have not been weary in well doing.

We report with pleasure some very important material improvements that will add greatly to the comfort of our growing family, also the liquidation of our entire debt which has been a mill-stone about our neck for many years. The outlook for the coming year is the brightest and most promising of all.

DEACONESS BUREAUS.

EASTERN DEACONESS BUREAU.

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One more year's work, and the reports from the Homes within the Eastern Deaconess Bureau all show progress in the greater development of work under the care of the deaconesses; and the same tidings come from the deaconesses in all our stations. Indeed, at all points a steady growth is revealed.

Parish work occupies the time of the large number of the deaconesses connected with the Homes. A majority of the centers of Deaconess Work are reaching out in many helpful ways to the foreigners, who in many cases are their next-door neighbors. At many points a specialty is made of work among the Italians as at Portland, New Haven, Brooklyn, Jersey City, Newark, Albany, Utica, Binghamton, and Altoona, while at others Bohemians, Poles, and Slavs are largely reached, as at Hazleton, Pa., and at Baltimore.

At the Home in Brooklyn a class of deaconesses has received instruction in the Italian language from the gifted daughter of Bishop Burt. This is a promise of greater efficiency in reaching Italians near at hand. Immigrants arriving in Philadelphia and Portland know the "Aid" of the deaconesses who welcome them. The well-known service of the "Traveler's Aid" is rendered at the railway stations in Albany,

N. Y., in Newark, N. J., and in Washington, D. C., where in that great new Union Station the President of the United States has his private waiting-room, the loving face of the deaconess as she succors or cheers the weary and helpless or the tempted ones might well inspire the brush of an artist who would know the anthems of angelic hosts are only just beyond.

The Fresh Air Work keeps deaconesses at work during the heat of summer, that they may care for the hundreds of children and over-worked mothers and old people, in taking them for days' outings in the parks.

A new departure has been made at Brooklyn in the opening industrial work for the little girls of the neighborhood, and with prospect of yet more along this line. The deaconesses in Wilmington have two centers of work established as a basis for further development. Rose-dale Mission, in Washington, has the continued devotion of its two workers, while Portland, Me., makes a most remarkable record of its wide range of work and its indefatigable workers. Martinsburg and Jersey City are both reaping the benefit of the new Home procured the year previous. At Newark, N. J., early in this year, a new Home was purchased and furnished, and in consequence a new impetus has been developed among its patrons, as well as the added comfort and encouragement to its workers. In Philadelphia an adjoining building has been purchased at a cost of \$11,000, and it is being renovated for use in the extension of its work by the addition of a dispensary and needed rooms for boys' and girls' clubs and reading-rooms, etc. The purchase was made possible by special gifts of \$5,000 and \$1,000 each.

The National Training-school at Washington has enrolled a larger number of students than ever before. Its new president, Dr. W. H. Wilder, has brought a large and valuable experience, calculated to raise the standard and advance the interests of the institution to the advantage of the work of the Society.

Mrs. J. O. Peck, Secretary of the Bureau for the Permanent Deaconess Fund, has the assurance of a bequest of \$5,000 for this fund.

Death has again entered the ranks, and Miss Harriet C. Henry, of the Baltimore Home, passed to her eternal reward last February, after a short illness. Miss Julia H. Townsend, after fifteen years of faithful service in the Philadelphia Home, entered into rest last September.

The touching of lives for their physical, moral, and spiritual uplift is the summing of results to be secured by the ever-widening range of deaconess service. Its many forms of activities continue on the increase as neighborhood and settlement work develops under its fostering care.

Baltimore Deaconess Home.

1301 Madison Ave., Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. W. T. BONLTENHOUSE, Superintendent.

We are just closing the eighteenth year of established Methodist deaconess work in this city. Our workers number thirteen, and our field is the entire city.

The past year has brought several changes among our workers. October 1st, Mrs. W. T. Bonltenhouse became Superintendent. Miss Harriett C. Henry, our senior deaconess, who was for twelve years at the head of the Institutional work at Mount Tabor, Bohemian Building, and was also acting Superintendent of the Home for three years, laid down the cross to receive the crown on February 6th, after one week

of severe illness. The death of this faithful worker in the midst of the busy year caused other changes to be made, and it was deemed necessary to make some transfers of workers within the city.

A little later our ranks were broken into again when Miss Morton was called upon to suffer a severe operation at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She is recovering rapidly, and we hope to have her with us again in the fall.

In looking over the work compassed during the year, we feel that much has been accomplished in His Name and by His grace.

The Kindergartens, Junior Leagues, Sunday-schools, Sewing Schools, Queen Esther Circles, Guilds, and Mothers' Meetings have been very fully attended, and we feel that seed has been sown on good ground. Much Foreign Missionary work has been done by those good Home Missionary workers. Jews, Italians, Bohemians, Germans, Poles, and others have been fed on the Bread of Life. What shall the harvest be? Only eternity will reveal.

Several workers have been busy a few weeks of the summer at a time at Hollywood and Fallston Farm—both of these places are Fresh Air Homes for children—while June and July brought many picnics in parks and groves. A large number of canvassing and parish calls have been made and assistance given to pastors in meetings held in churches and tents. It is a joy to minister to the souls and bodies of the needy ones. The gospel story and the deed of charity must often enter many homes hand in hand.

Brooklyn Deaconess Home.

238 President Street.

Miss PRISCILLA FOSTER, Superintendent.

We have had an unusually large family of eighteen or twenty during the past year, and work along all lines has steadily advanced, while some new departures have been made. Our eighteen deaconesses and probationers have served our Methodist Episcopal Hospital (one worker giving her entire time to this great institution) and fifteen of our churches, some of our very largest and wealthiest, and many of our poorest "downtown" societies. We rejoice that we have been able to also place a worker in our Astoria Italian Church, to assist Brother and Sister Riggio in their heroic efforts in that part of Greater New York. She has gathered many children into the Sunday-school, and visited many sick and poor in the neighborhood. A kindergarten school was started about six weeks ago, which now has thirty-five in attendance.

Our Training-school opened last fall with seven students—the largest class for many years. We graduated and awarded diplomas to two fine young women at the close of the spring term.

Our Fresh Air Work has been done with unabated interest, three of our deaconesses taking charge during the entire summer of three large Fresh Air Homes—two at Jamesport, L. I., and one at Summit, N. J., where scores of sick babies, tired, discouraged mothers and little city waifs have been attended, given good wholesome food to eat, clean comfortable places in which to sleep, and have been shown what an orderly Christian home is. Also hundreds of children, overworked mothers, and old people taken for day's outings into the cool, shady parks, or to merciful old Neptune's breezy shore.

Our long-contemplated industrial work has also been launched most successfully in the opening of a sewing-school for little girls in our Home neighborhood. On the first Saturday morning twenty-five dirty

but bright-looking, alert street children greeted us, and we have had a steady increase ever since, until at present our enrollment is over eighty, with an average attendance of fifty-five. Hymns, Psalms, Scripture verses, and Bible stories are taught them; also cleanliness, etiquette, hygiene, etc., beside the regular systematic sewing.

One of our deaconesses, five students, and an outside helper have faithfully done this work since its inauguration a few months ago. This fall we hope to grade the school. Also we expect to organize among the older girls a kitchengarden class and a regular Bible class, beside some evening classes in advanced work for still older girls. Miss Carrie Burt, our beloved Bishop's daughter, has been of invaluable aid to us, teaching a large class of little Italians in the sewing-school, and on Saturday afternoons leading most efficiently a class in the Italian language, to which belong five of our deaconesses and probationers, making diligent effort to master this musical speech, that they may put it to practical, consecrated use among the multitudes landing on our shores from Southern Europe. The "Little Italy" of Brooklyn is only a few blocks from our Home, and we feel our responsibility to God for these souls.

Our one purpose for this coming year is "To do our work—whatever or wherever it may be," relying on and giving praise to Him always, "who washed us in His own precious blood," and who has thus far brought us on our way!

Dwight W. Blakeslee Memorial Deaconess Home.

576 George St., New Haven, Conn.

Miss JESSIE E. ARBUCKLE, Superintendent.

We are glad to report that a review of the year just past reveals a steady growth in all departments of work.

Our deaconess family numbers seven—five licensed deaconesses, and two students. All are serving worthily in their respective fields of labor.

Our city offers special opportunities for a Training-school. Yale University has admitted our students to its lecture courses, and the cosmopolitan nature of the city has provided practical work among many nationalities.

Our work among the Italian people has passed the experimental stage and has become a permanent part of our New Haven church life. The present enrollment of our Sunday-school is ninety-four.

The systematic visiting in our City Hospital has been productive of most satisfactory results. Nowhere is Christian comfort and consolation more needed or more appreciated than here, where physical suffering has taken from the individuals material pleasures.

While we have seen an advance along every line in the year now gone, we desire for the future even a larger and more thorough work, and that the "Master of all good workmen" shall rule and overrule in all our activities.

E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home.

3 Columbia Place, Eagle Street, Albany, N. Y.

Miss MARY E. WHITEHEAD, Superintendent.

The Open Door Mission and E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home has had a busy and prosperous year. Our seven workers have rendered faithful, efficient service.

We report with great joy the growth of our work among our

Italian and Syrian population, to whom we offer kitchengarden, sewing classes, nurses' class, and night school for Italian men, and Sunday-school for all. These classes are all held in rented rooms on one of the worst streets in the city, and have kept our teachers busy among these our brothers and sisters who need so much that which we can give.

We regret exceedingly that home duties make it necessary for Miss Mary C. Rumsey, who has won the love and confidence of these people, to leave the work for the present.

We have welcomed four new Deaconesses to our home this year. Miss Ida J. Mitchell came to us from the Home in Detroit, and is doing good work in Burlington, Vt., and Miss Flora Gwynn came to us from Sibley Hospital in February to do Nurse Deaconess work. Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, Albany, by paying her allowance has made it possible for us to have this worker so greatly needed in our downtown district. Miss Caroline Farmer takes the place of Miss Rumsey in our Industrial work.

Miss Hattie Gifford is doing excellent service in Gloversville, N. Y.

We are grateful to our Heavenly Father for the generous support that the Home and its workers has received from the Churches of our city. Eight hundred and ninety dollars has been expended in much-needed improvements, and a new heating plant has been installed at a cost of \$725.

We feel to thank God and take courage because God is blessing us, strengthening and enlarging our work; and, because of the increasing interest and support, our work is increasing throughout the Conference.

Jersey City Deaconess Home.

246 Summit Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

Miss ANNA C. BEALE, Superintendent.

Again we are reminded that God has been watching over us and has given us many blessings. It is now a little over a year since we moved into this comfortable and beautifully located Home, with its spacious grounds, its eleven fine stately trees, and its two broad verandas.

The Evangelization Union has purchased the property for the Deaconess Home, and the Local Board of Managers, under the direction of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Jersey City and Paterson Districts (including aid from Churches where there is no missionary society), furnish the Home and defray its current expenses.

A goodly number of new Churches have become interested in our work, and the spring bazaar was held in the Home under the direction of the Board of Managers, of which Mrs. A. E. Kline is the President. She was greatly helped by the efficient chairman of the bazaar.

Mrs. George E. Baekns also aided very much in the material prosperity of the Home. The faithful and thorough records of the Board meetings, kept by Miss Ida P. Lewis, and also of Miss Jennie Laughlin, secretary of the bazaar, should not be overlooked. We would also thank the kind physicians and dentists for their deeds of mercy, and Mrs. Phoebe Griffith for the kitchen range and twenty-five dollars toward the bazaar fund. We also extend our thanks to Messrs. Borden & Co. for donating milk during the year, and to all others who have so kindly contributed in various ways to make life comfortable for the deaconess.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Maine Conference Deaconess Home.

130 Federal Street, Portland, Me.

Mrs. HELEN IDA BENSON, Superintendent.

The past year has been a very busy one for the few workers in the Home. The various lines of work have been faithfully carried out, notwithstanding one worker has been forced to do the work of two. Several volunteers have given assistance in the industrial schools and clubs, which has been a great help and a boom to all.

The first work of the past year was the Fresh Air Camp, which was kept open from July 15th to September 12th. In that time one hundred and sixty women and children, with a few fathers of families, enjoyed the life of the camp from one day to several weeks. The situation of the camp near the city, and not far from Riverton Park, makes it a convenient and economical place in which to care for the city's poor, and for the working classes who could not afford to take an expensive trip but could pay a ten-cent car ride and bring their lunch for a few days. Several invalids were wooed back to health by the sweet piney breezes, and children who came with pale cheeks went away with ruddy, browned faces and bright eyes. Great interest has been taken in this branch of service by the general public, recognizing as they do that it is a public benefaction, and done without regard to creed or race.

Early in the fall the girls' sewing clubs and the mother's club were again started and carried forward without interruption until June. Later the boys' work was taken up as usual and continued until May. The holiday festivities began the day before Christmas and ended with a banquet for the mothers on New Year's Day, with trees and presents for all the members of our clubs and classes. Travelers' Aid Work was begun in November, when the Trans-Atlantic steamers began to make this their winter port. Literature and picture Scripture cards were gladly received by the immigrants, and such work as she could do was done by the deaconess to help the women and children on their way, as scarcely any of these immigrants stop short of Canada and the West.

Two sales for the poor were held, and nearly fifteen hundred garments were bought by the poor for a trifle, from which goodly sum was secured money for the emergency work with which to help them in time of need, and to help them with the expenses of the Home.

A shelter for girls and children temporarily placed in the care of the Home by the Police Department has been in our care, and thirty-five have been cared for from one day to several months. This is a much-needed work, and is greatly appreciated by the city officials. People have been nursed in the homes, and as much district visiting has been done as time would permit. City churches have been served as far as we have had workers, and Conference calls met as much as we were able. Financially, we have been greatly blessed. We have been abundantly cared for, and a goodly sum has been paid on the indebtedness of the Home. God has been with us, and although we would have been glad to have accomplished more for Him, yet He has richly blessed the few workers of the Home who have so faithfully served Him. Several deaconesses capable of strenuous evangelistic work is what is needed in this Eastern frontier field.

Newark Conference Deaconess Home.

219 Fairmount Ave., Newark, N. J.

Mrs. C. W. HORTON, Superintendent.

The great things of life are not those of which the most is said, and so a great deal of deaconess work is that of which one can not speak. It is so quietly done, and the "right hand keepeth its own secret,"

but the faithful, patient service done by the brave deaconesses of Newark is worthy of mention.

Hospitals and homes have been made bright by hundreds of bouquets; tired women and children have been taken for a brief respite from toil into good clear air and sunlight; little children born into the darkness and gloom of the submerged have been made glad at Christmas—these are the joys they have experienced, and the reason for it all is made clear “because of the little boy Christ Jesus born in the manger.”

The results of class work no one can measure, but the closing exercises showed the hard study and painstaking effort of the year. Nowhere can a deaconess let her light shine more clearly than among the self-absorbed, restless throngs of a railway station, and the yearly report of our Travelers' Aid shows that she has not missed her “opportunities.” The faithful worker in the Italian field has made of a turbulent, noisy Sunday-school a quiet, well systematized one that compares favorably with an American Sunday-school, and she has established a boys' club and a kitchengarden, in one holding an all day's session.

The Home itself, for pleasantness of situation, and its well-furnished, sunny rooms, is such a contrast to the old “Home” that one's heart is made glad, and hands strengthened for the work of the “Master,” and so—

“Beyond the golden strand,
Around on sea and land,
We see God's mighty hand,
Faithful and true.”

Philadelphia Deaconess Home.

609-613 Vine Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss BERTHA FOWLER, Superintendent.

In September last our senior deaconess, Miss Julia H. Townsend, passed to her heavenly home. Fifteen years of faithful service, nine of which were spent in the Church she was serving at the time of her death, had been cheerfully given to the Master. Miss E. Pearl Farnam was compelled to seek the mountains and fresh-air treatment for her health; and is still away on an extended leave of absence. Sickness and death have visited the homes of other members of our family and thrown shadows across our way.

During the year eight Churches have been served, besides our Deaconess Home parish. Occasion has arisen that pressed our nurse deaconess more largely into social service work, but even then seventy-nine patients have been cared for in 581 hours. The Immigrant work has increased, occupying all the time of the deaconess; 13,588 passengers have been met; many Bibles, tracts, toys, and dolls given out, and the unaided ministered unto. The deaconess is the only medium of communication between the detention home and the hospital, hence many and varied are her experiences.

The neighborhood work has been cared for by three deaconesses, one probationer, and two missionaries. The relief work required the constant attention of one deaconess; this work extending over the city, another girl has been placed in the Watts de Peyster Home.

Advancement and general improvement have marked the industrial department. The Kindergarten has sustained a higher average attendance than in previous years. The mothers' meetings have increased in numbers and in interest. Four medical lectures have been given with profit. The class work has been decidedly satisfactory. The attendance has

been regular, and the grade of work has surpassed that of other years—due to the experience of both teachers and classes. The sloyd, printing, cooking, sewing, dressmaking, kitchengarden, and gymnasium classes have executed well their part in the year's work. A Boys' Club was organized to take the place of a boys' gymnasium, the boys having grown too large for the room used, and this change proved most successful. The boys elected their officers, framed their constitution and by-laws, selected their colors, purchased their pins, formed a yell, and organized two baseball teams. At the close of the work in May, fifteen girls graduated from the sewing, kitchengarden, and cooking classes. Certificates were given, with formal exercises. The exhibition of Junior League work was a credit to both teachers and pupils. Ten little people graduated from the Primary to the Junior department, receiving their diplomas bearing the primary seal and signed by the proper officials. An interesting feature of the graduation was that two of the children completing a three years' course were under six years of age.

The Sunday-school has been of increasing interest all the year. An adult class of sixteen mothers has been added to the roll. The fact that the hour for opening of the school is 9.30 A. M., and that the mothers get their children, from one to eight in each family, ready before coming themselves, speaks for their interest and spirit in the Sunday-school. The Easter offering for missions this year was \$19.82; this besides meeting all expense of supplies, Easter and Christmas entertainments. Sunday evening services were held for two months with encouraging results.

A stereopticon lantern has greatly aided in the instruction of the classes and has demonstrated its educational value, as well as aiding in the entertainment of the young people. The fresh-air work has furnished many a blessing to those of limited means and home quarters.

The dispensary, which was a dream last year, is about to become a reality. The property adjoining, 613, has been purchased, and, with little repairing, will house the dispensary, besides giving room for a boys' and girls' parlor, a reading room, and room for the printing and cooking classes, and a pasteurized milk station. With this added space for the execution of the work, the future promises blessings and profits. Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands have visited the Home; some have held meetings, and others given entertainments at the Home, thereby stimulating interest and increasing its support. The *Philadelphia Deaconess* has been published monthly, with a circulation of 1,000 copies, and has had a mission in carrying information and inspiration to hearts and homes. We are undertaking large things for God, and expect large things from Him.

Stone Settlement Home.

Center Street, Martinsburg, W. Va.

Miss ELIZABETH HONDRICK, Superintendent.

In reviewing the work of the past year, we can truly say that God has been with us and wonderfully blessed us.

The first year spent in the new building shows that great progress has been made in the various departments. The Industrial classes, both girls' and boys', increased in attendance, great interest being taken by the children.

The relief work has been unusually heavy, owing to hard times, but the generous donations and contributions of friends has made it possible for these needs to be met and relief given.

The Sunday-school and prayer-meetings have been well attended and have been a real source of inspiration, souls having there been born into the kingdom of heaven and lives there consecrated to the Master.

Early in March, owing to the illness of our Superintendent, Miss Emma Loomis, it was necessary for her to return to her home. While we shall miss her, we are glad to say that a new Superintendent is now at her post, and we are anticipating a good year.

The Home usually closes during the summer months, but owing to the growth of the work we kept it open this season, and lately we have inaugurated a playground, consisting of swings for the small children and an out-door gymnasium for the older boys.

A series of entertainments and festivals to meet the social demands of our work is a feature of the summer work, and is greatly enjoyed by our people.

Our plans and expectations for the coming year are high. Two new departments will probably be inaugurated, a gymnasium and the Day Nursery.

"The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Washington Deaconess Home.

917 O Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Miss MAUDE SEVERANCE, Superintendent.

Another year of service has been given by the faithful workers in the Deaconess Home. Four have been serving as pastor's assistants, and their ministrations have resulted in an increase in membership in the Churches and a large ingathering of children into the Sunday-schools. They have also visited the sick and the shut-ins of the congregations and have been a great blessing to the communities in which the churches are located.

Our nurse deaconess has been untiring in her labors and has given special attention to the sick poor.

Rosedale Mission has two resident workers, and as a Deaconess Settlement has exerted a great influence for good in the neighborhood. It is an institutional Church with a large Sabbath-school, preaching and prayer-meeting services, with Senior and Junior Epworth League meetings. There are clubs for the boys and girls, and classes in sewing, knitting, embroidery, basket weaving, printing, and carpentry. One of the strong features of this work is a branch of the City Library. It is open twice a week, and hundreds of books are circulated every month. We trust that at an early day a fine building will be erected on the lots which have already been purchased.

We have during the year inaugurated Travelers' Aid work at the new and beautiful Union Station. It has met a great want, and the labors of the deaconess have been crowned with unusual success. She has been the means of bringing cheer to many a lonely woman and of saving many girls from being led astray.

Mrs. M. S. Tasker, who has been our resident Manager for the past several years, has been obliged to resign her position. We wish to express our appreciation of her beautiful service in the Home and the sweet Christian spirit that has animated all her work.

Wilmington Conference Deaconess Home.

841 Tatnall Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

Miss MARY E. GOULD, Superintendent.

We have closed our second year's work, and as we take a backward glance we rejoice that it has been a year of successful undertaking. We are making rapid progress in our history, for each year brings with it greater interest and enthusiasm, and stronger efforts are put forth to make the work count and be a blessing.

Our deaconesses are becoming well known all over our city. Those who are in distress and need begin to realize that they are free to call upon these helpful and sympathetic friends, "the sisters with the white ties," and through the ministries of these devoted women, those needing help are brought within touch with the Heavenly One.

The first of the year brought to us an additional worker, Miss Edith M. Hoyt, from Owasso, Mich. She remained with us only for a short time, when she was called home by the illness of her father. Her departure was one of great regret to us and was a great loss to our Home, but her influence still remains.

Epworth Leagues and Junior Leagues want to lend a helping hand and now and then send us contributions for supporting our work; from our hearts comes the response, "God bless them."

At present we have two mission centers established with its workers at each center.

One young lady from this city felt the call to this blessed service and is now in training at our National Training-school, Washington, D. C., and will come to us when through.

God is abundantly blessing our efforts, and the workers therefore have hearts filled with joy and gladness.

DEACONESS STATIONS.

Barre, Vt.

Miss JOSEPHINE SLOCUM, Deaconess.

There are now in Barre 3,000 Italians, very few of whom are connected with any Church. There are a thousand or more children. Only the Baptists and Methodists have made any effort to reach them. The Baptists are soon to dedicate a chapel for their use. The Barre Methodists have purchased a lot costing \$500, but at present do not feel they can do anything toward building.

We have had an average attendance in our Sunday-school of sixty-five, despite the fact that it had to be held in a miserable little store. From this we have been ejected, and there is no other place available. We regret to close this work even temporarily, but it is useless to try to carry it forward until some place is found for housing it. Our hearts are pained at the necessity of closing a work that has in it so many promising factors for present and future usefulness.

Binghamton, N. Y.

29 Exchange Street.

Miss GRACE CLARK, Deaconess.

Reported by Corresponding Secretary of Binghamton District,
Mrs. F. A. Blaksley, Wyoming Conference.

It is with courage and great confidence in God that the Binghamton District enters upon its third year of Deaconess Work, with Miss Grace Clark its faithful and competent worker. As we look over the past two years we can joyfully say, "Thus far the Lord hath led us on."

During the year Miss Clark has visited nearly all the Auxiliaries of the district, has organized one Home Guards Society, and has assisted in organizing a Woman's Auxiliary in the youngest Church on the District.

For some months past she has received a kind and cordial welcome to our county jail, where she has been doing systematic visiting, distributing gospels and mottoes, and having personal talks and prayer with the women there confined.

At the close of last year one candidate had already been accepted for training in Rust Hall, and another was about to file her application; still another young woman entered Sibley Hospital, and the three have been following the special lines of work into which God has called them.

Our Board had the special privilege of sending Miss Clark to the Executive Meeting held in Philadelphia last October.

Financially our work has been well supported throughout its existence. While at the close of some months there has not been sufficient money to meet the demands, yet we want to say to the glory of God that we have always been able to meet our obligations within a few days of their coming due.

Troy Conference Deaconess Station, Burlington, Vt.

98 South Winooski Street.

Miss IDA J. MITCHELL, Deaconess.

Through the generosity of Miss Nancy Ryan, a home and funds were left for the establishment and permanent support of Deaconess Work in Burlington, Vermont.

Work has been done there since the ninth of October, 1908. The Church has a membership of over 800, and with the addition of those who attend, makes a congregation of about 1,000 people to be ministered to.

There is a large number of foreigners in Burlington, many of whom do not attend any Church service regularly. It is a splendid field for labor. The worker has been most cordially received and the work has been loyally supported and much appreciated.

The larger part of the work has been that of calling upon all whose needs were made known to the deaconess. Some needed encouragement, some spiritual help, and many were in a position where food and clothing were gratefully received. Thanks to the kindness and Christian spirit of the people, never a call came but there was a generous response.

The year has been a blessed one to the worker, and through the help of the Master we trust that some have been influenced to lead nobler, better, and more useful lives.

Central Pennsylvania Deaconess Work in Stations, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Miss ADDA MAY TROUT, Deaconess.

During the past year my work has been that of pastor's assistant and has consisted largely in calling upon the sick, shut-in, those in sorrow, and strangers, and in other homes where my pastor considered it wise or necessary to go. These made about sixteen hundred calls during the year.

To keep in close touch with all the lines of Church work and meet with the different societies—at the Church service to greet the stranger, take care of the restless child, teach a class in Sunday-school, give a normal course in Bible study before the Senior Department of the Sunday-school, to teach a Bible class for probationers, to lead prayer-meeting when the pastor is absent, to find employment for some folks, to find food, fuel, and clothing for others, are a few of the opportunities and privileges which have come to me.

The year has been one of rich blessing in service, and the prayer of my heart is, "Lord, if I may, I'll work another day."

Miss SADIE SHEFFER, Deaconess.

For more than three months last winter, owing to local conditions, our kindergarten was closed. In April, however, we moved into our new chapel, and during the summer have had an enrollment of more than sixty and an average attendance of more than forty. The kindergarten is open three days every week, and through the children we gain entrance to many homes.

Our second Italian sewing class, located in another part of the city, is growing and the girls are doing good work.

In November, 1908, we organized our second Italian Sunday-school in Simpson Church. The children are faithful in attendance. Our Cradle Roll is very large.

Our open-air services, held every Sunday, attract much attention. At our last meeting about three hundred were in attendance. Distribution of papers and gospel cards, special services, supply work, and calling—all these give to the deaconess a crowded life.

Hazleton, Pa.

Miss EMMA TRESCOTT, Deaconess

The Anthracite Mission in this town was organized five years ago by Rev. V. J. Lowzecky, and he is still its superintendent. His family occupy one side of a double house, while on the other side are mission rooms, reception hall, class rooms, and rooms for Church service and Sunday-school.

Miss Trescott is beginning her fifth year as deaconess. She conducts English classes, sewing schools, visits in the homes, distributes clothing, food, and delicacies to the poor, and many other lines of Deaconess Work.

A Slovak young woman is being trained and assisting in the mission. A Magyar young woman is entering on her second year in nurse training at Sibley Hospital. Miss Anna Ruzska will resume her studies at Rust Hall for another year. A Slovak young girl enters on her third year at Dickinson Seminary, and a young man of the same nationality will begin a course of study in the same school this year.

At Beaver Brook work has been carried on among the young people for four years. Miss Helen Baldwin, a graduate of Washington Training-school, 1908, is doing successful work. Cooking schools, sewing schools, and boys' club occupy every afternoon, except a Sunday-school on the Sabbath. Much work has been done in the homes of all classes representing eight nationalities.

Mt. Carmel, Pa.

Miss ELIZABETH LARRISH, Deaconess.

The work of Miss Larrish at Mount Carmel is in the same district as Hazleton, but was established a number of years earlier, under the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the local Church and the Conference. A neat building has now been provided by a gentleman of that town, where Miss Larrish conducts mothers' meetings, sewing school, boys' club, and Sunday-school. She is recognized as agent for all the charitable work of the town.

St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Miss IDA LULU KAHLO, Deaconess.

The work of the parish deaconess for the past six months in the beautiful town of St. Johnsbury, Vt., has not been without its results. There have been vast opportunities for following the blessed Master's example in going about doing good.

Many lives have been touched among the sick and sorrowing, the shut-ins, and strangers, and great appreciation has been expressed by the people that the deaconess has come to comfort and cheer, and to tell the sweet story of the love of Christ. Children have responded to the invitation to join our Sunday-school, and non-church goers have been glad to worship with us. When impossible to secure a nurse, the deaconess has cared for the sick.

This is truly a needy field—pray for the work here.

Utica Italian Mission Settlement.

Miss HATTIE E. DAVIS, Deaconess.

Miss EUNICE BRITT, Deaconess Kindergarten.

About seventy families are connected with our work, and we have several children from many of these families. Attendance in all classes has been good, and the work is limited only by the scarcity of workers and present accommodations. Although the work is slow, we feel that it pays.

The kindergarten is a valuable help in winning the way into the hearts of the people. Sunday-school, boys' club, girls' sewing class, and mothers' meetings have been held. The mothers have received a faint glimpse of God's love for them, and the Holy Spirit is doing a blessed work among them.

Wilkes Barre, Pa., Deaconess Station.

Miss ROSA E. SANTEE, Deaconess.

363 S. Franklin Street.

During the past year two Churches have engaged my attention, though the greater part of the time has been spent in Wilkes Barre. The present field of labor is among old friends, whose warm welcome

made my first days of breaking in much easier than usual. My main ambition is winning and holding souls for the kingdom of Jesus Christ. Each year of service demonstrates to me more and more that this is truly the King's business on which I am sent. Calling, conducting meetings, assisting in the general work of the Church, and responding to some outside demands, such as work for the girls of the city, represent the activities of the year just closing.

Our factories employ hundreds of girls as wage-earners, and the problems which confront both the managers and the girls are occupying the minds of women who love these sisters of toil.

Hearing some time ago of the "Big Brother" movement, it brought to my mind the idea of the "Big Sister Society," in which every woman or girl should promise to stand for some weaker or more unfortunate sister. I am trying to be this to a large room-full of girls at a factory where I go for a noon meeting once a week. Each girl has my name and address and the full assurance of love and sympathy from "Sister Rosa," as I wish them to call me. Thus they creep into my heart, and, I trust, I into theirs, and that by love I can lead them to something higher, brighter, and better.

CENTRAL DEACONESS BUREAU.

Mrs. J. F. MUND, Secretary,

4800 Broadway, S. E., Cleveland, O.

Deaconess work in the Central Bureau has made steady growth since its last report was submitted. Especially has it advanced in the favor and confidence of the people. Never before has the work of these devoted women been recognized and appreciated by so large a percentage of our population as at the present time.

The one hundred and twenty-four workers connected with this Bureau have been faithful and constant in their respective fields of labor throughout the year, leading and guiding with loving ministries men and women into Christian ways of living, and sowing seeds of love, truth, and fidelity in the hearts of hundreds of children.

Said a gentleman of my home city recently, in speaking of a deaconess whose work he had noted: "Her earnest, quiet life is fragrant with pure devotion. As she goes in and out among the people her life is a constant reminder of what a Christian *can* and *ought* to be, and I am sure that God rewards with lasting impressions for good, not alone in our field, but in every field where such faithful devotion is given," and he added: "I am more and more convinced that the Deaconess Movement is to be the most effective agency of our Church for redemption among the masses." Similar testimonies could be given by the hundreds, but one only is sufficient to reveal the secret of the wonderful growth of this work.

A year ago we were rejoicing over the completion and dedication of beautiful Minard Hall, adjoining our Buffalo Home. In one short year the growth of the work necessitates an addition of another story to the main building in order that the entire second floor of Minard Hall may be used for hospital purposes. Most of the money for this purpose is already pledged. This Home has been highly favored recently by receiving a bequest of \$5,000, with the prospect bright for as much more upon the final settlement of the estate of the donor.

For some years the work in Pittsburg has demanded larger quarters. After much praying and planning, the contracts have finally been let and

the work started on a \$20,000 addition to the substantial brick and stone building now occupied by the Home. The plans provide for joining the new to the old and making one large building, with a spacious assembly room, deaconess sitting-room, one large and one smaller dining-room, besides kitchen and pantries, on first floor; on second floor, one double and seven single bedrooms, with as many closets, and three bath-rooms; on third floor, nine single bedrooms,—a number admitting two beds when necessary,—and three more bath-rooms.

Two of the bedrooms on this floor and one bath-room will be kept in reserve for the use of poor girls, whom the Travelers' Aid so often find at the station, with no place to go for the night. The plans also provide for an up-to-date laundry and a fine kindergarten room with bath-room for the children in that part of the basement which will be level with the street. Steam heat and modern plumbing will be used throughout.

Our Pittsburg friends are to be congratulated on the realization of their long-cherished desires, and in the possession of a Home which, when completed, will be one of the finest and best equipped in the Bureau. As blessings never come singly, a Rest Cottage was presented to this Home early in the season, in whose sheltered quiet a number of the workers have spent part or all of their summer vacation.

Our faithful deaconesses at Bridgeport, Ohio, have given another year of joyful service. Missions and industrial classes have been maintained at several points. Miss Hillman, whose valuable services have done much for this Home, resigned her position as superintendent in June, and has been succeeded by Miss Isabel Leitch, the former efficient superintendent at Toledo. There is urgent need of more workers in this promising field.

The Home at Columbus, Ohio, is the only one in the Bureau not yet housed in its own building. But its work has so developed and become so well and favorably known in the city, that its friends have the courage and faith to believe that now is the time to build. A lot has been selected and plans are under way for erecting a \$10,000 building, which it is hoped may be completed within the year.

Early in the year the Central Ohio Conference Deaconess Home at Toledo was the recipient of a magnificent bequest of an estate valued at \$40,000, comprising two acres of highly cultivated land and a beautiful residence of thirteen rooms, located in one of the finest portions of the city. An additional \$20,000 was promised contingent upon raising a like sum, with which to build a hospital upon the grounds, the whole to be known as the Ellen G. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital. The happy deaconesses moved into their new home early in the spring. Eleven thousand of the desired \$20,000 having been secured, on May 25th, with appropriate ceremonies, ground was broken by Bishop Moore for the first of a proposed series of buildings. This one, when completed, will be used for a time for hospital purposes, and later on as a Nurses' Home. Miss Emma Enders, a nurse deaconess of much experience, has been secured as superintendent of this Home.

At the Cleveland and Detroit Homes progressive work is conducted along many lines. The Fresh Air Camp belonging to the Cleveland Home, like the one at Fair Oaks conducted by the Pittsburg deaconesses, is proving of great value in influencing for good the several hundred boys and girls who are entertained every summer at this place.

The Detroit Home, also, is having a share in the wave of prosperity that is sweeping over this Bureau. With a view to the future expansion of their work, a fine lot with two good buildings—adjoining their beautiful Home—worth \$10,000 has recently been purchased. A gift of \$3,000 from two friends made this purchase possible at this time.

The recently enlarged and beautified Home and Training-school at Grand Rapids graduated another class of deaconesses in May, who have joined the ranks of their sisters in active service. Mrs. Ella C. Hartshorn has entered upon her duties as superintendent in place of Miss Severance, who resigned after one year of earnest work.

From our six stations come encouraging reports of faithful, untiring services rendered.

One of the interesting events of the year was our first Deaconess Conference, held in Cleveland, May 25th and 26th. A large delegation from seven of our eight Homes was in attendance. We were conscious of a feeling of pride, also of great thankfulness, as we looked upon this fine company of consecrated women. All the sessions were helpful and inspiring to those who had the good fortune to attend them, and must prove of lasting benefit to both work and workers.

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training-school.

401 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Miss MAUDE SEVERANCE, Retiring Superintendent.

Mrs. ELLA C. HARTSHORN, Superintendent.

The past year has been a crowded one for our Home and Training-school. Early in August, 1908, were laid the foundations for the enlargement of our building, but the progress was slow. Finally the completion came, and we are now well equipped for good service.

Our school was delayed two weeks in opening owing to the condition of the building, but our young women went to work with a will, and have been able to finish the year's work at the usual date.

The graduating class consisted of seven young women, who have gone from us to fill well, we trust, any place the Master may have for them.

We have had working under the direction of the Home the past year seven licensed deaconesses and fourteen students. These workers, besides attending to their many other duties in the Home and classrooms, have made 4,158 calls, 333 visits to hospitals and jails, conducted or addressed 311 meetings, taught 255 classes in Sunday-school, distributed 34 Testaments and 2,974 papers and tracts, given out 700 garments, 10 baskets of food, and 127½ quarts of fruit; 140 hours have been spent in nursing the sick, 3,916 in special service, 420 hours in Travelers' Aid work, 557 in Industrial School, 83 hours in kitchen and kindergarten, 324 hours in Boys' Clubs, and 76 hours in Mothers' meetings.

The Settlement Work, under the direction of Miss Bertha Clark, has never been in so prosperous a condition. The parents of our children are becoming more and more interested, and the mothers attend the weekly Mothers' Meetings in large numbers.

Our greatest difficulty is lack of room and proper equipment for the work. We are praying that God may touch some heart, and thus send in the needed money with which to make it possible for us to carry on this part of His work to a much greater advantage. It is located in the midst of a large foreign population, mostly Syrians. These people are bright, eager, and anxious for what we can give them. Truly, a wonderful opportunity God has given us. May we not prove unworthy of the trust.

Cleveland Deaconess Home.

1904 Woodland Avenue, S. E., Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss LAURA MORRIS, Superintendent.

The year has not been marked by any unusual attainments, but rather by faithful effort in caring for the work that has been entrusted to us. Sixteen deaconesses, seven probationers, and two associate members make up the membership of the Home; thirteen churches and three missions have been served during the year, three of these churches being outside of the city, located at Sharon, Pa., Ashland, Ohio, and Muncie, Ind. Four deaconesses have given their whole time in the Settlement Work at West Side Cottage, and one has served in Travelers' Aid Work. Two probationers have been in training at Rust Hall, and two are taking nurse training in hospitals.

Industrial work has been carried on in three of the churches and two of the missions, under the management of the deaconess in charge. Much good has been done in the training of these little girls, most of whom come from the homes of the foreigner.

The relief work of the year has been very important. More than three hundred families have been given temporal relief. This could not have been done except for the hearty co-operation of the friends of the work. About three hundred dollars in money have been used, and twenty-seven hundred dollars in cash supplies have been received for the use of the Home and Relief work.

Our Fresh Air Work, which is done in connection with the Epworth Leagues of the city and vicinity, grows in favor with the public. The camp, which is located at Painesville, Ohio, is splendidly equipped and doing most excellent work. Two hundred and fifty children were entertained during the year. Seven or eight mothers are entertained at one time at the Mother's Camp, located half a mile from Epworth Camp. They bring with them children under six years of age, and make a home life that is most beautiful. The spirit of the Master pervades both camps.

The neighborhood work at the West Side Cottage has been most encouraging. We moved into our permanent home last October, and found that it is admirably located in the very center of our field, in close proximity to the congested districts, yet on a street with beautiful shade trees and well kept homes. One car line passes the house, and a five minutes' walk will reach any of the lines on the West Side, making it easy of access for the mothers who bring the children to the Nursery.

The Day Nursery continues to be one of the leading features of the work. With our neighborhood visitor who keeps in very close touch with every family represented in the Nursery, this is being made the basis of real construction work in the homes. Just as soon as the family can support itself without the mother going out to work, she is required to remain at home and care for her children. We still keep in touch with the children after they leave the Nursery through our Penny Savings Account, and the children's meetings held on Sunday afternoon.

Classes and clubs are maintained for the older boys and girls of the neighborhood, and these have been well attended, and good results have been obtained. This is a most hopeful field, our work is in its infancy, and the outlook for the future is one of rich promise.

Detroit Deaconess Home.

53 West Elizabeth Street, Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. MARGARET DELIGHT-MOORS, Superintendent.

The Detroit Deaconess Home has the distinguished honor of being the first Home established under the control of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Its history has been continuous and creditable. The

past year has been our best. Our family has numbered eighteen, although the full number have not been with us all the year. One kindergarten, three mission and twelve parish workers have been kept busy.

Fort Street Mission, under the care of Miss Kate Blackburn and her assistants, never had a more prosperous year. Through its systematic parish work, its reading-room, clubs, classes, etc., the whole neighborhood is brought within the radius of its benign and helpful influence and teaching.

Russell Street Mission, in charge of Miss A. Maud King, has had phenomenal growth, and we are promised a new building by November 1st next.

Two valuable buildings have been purchased during this year for the enlargement of the Deaconess Home. The one next to the present Home is also of brick, and the two will probably soon be "bridged." This property is steadily increasing in value. The purchase was made possible by a most generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. George O. Robinson. The usual number of calls at homes, hospitals, jails, juvenile court, etc., have been made.

Ours is the song of praise and of the forward march.

Tillman Avenue Mission.

267 Tillman Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Miss MARY L. WINGET, Superintendent.

Miss MIRIAM LENNON, Kindergartner.

Our settlement at Tillman Avenue gave an exhibit at the close of the year. The verdict was "splendid." This commodious brick structure, valued at \$7,000, is well adapted for carrying on Sunday-school, Gospel service, kindergarten, kitchengarten, sewing-school, boys' and girls' clubs, printing, basketry, and Venetian iron work. This property is the possession of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Detroit Conference.

Hundreds of lives are touched by this most valuable agency. This settlement is in close proximity to a large Polish Cathedral and school, nevertheless the mission is the beacon light of Gospel truth and service.

The Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home.

3336 Collingwood Ave., Toledo, O.

Miss EMMA ENDERS, Superintendent.

This institution has been the recipient of a splendid donation, the Flower Estate. This property is valued at \$40,000, a beautiful residence of thirteen rooms, to be known as the "Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home." The building is surrounded by ample space for a large hospital. An added bequest of \$20,000 has been granted, providing the people interested raise \$20,000 more within eighteen months of the donor's death. The ground-breaking exercises for the first of a group of buildings, to be known as "The Flower Hospital," were held May 25, 1909. We hope to be in our new quarters late this fall.

The products of the garden, which is a part of the Flower donation, are being relished by patients and nurses. The donations of our friends have been a great help to us, both in giving relief to the sick and in lightening the table expenses of the Home. We greatly appreciate the promptness with which the churches rallied to our aid in furnishing our Home.

The Travelers' Aid work has been instrumental in helping many, as they come and go through the railroad stations. Young girls are being protected and guided; tired mothers relieved; the aged given a helping hand and a cheering word.

Thus by the loyal support of the people under the guidance of the Master we have been able to serve those committed to our care, and we hope in the coming year we may be permitted to do more.

Genesee Conference Deaconess Home.

292 Niagara St., Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. EMMA A. TURNEY, Superintendent.

Phillips Brooks once said, "The elements which make a perfect work are two—a perfect workman, and a perfect pattern."

A perfect workman must have perfect faithfulness and perfect skill; and so, to make any accomplishment entirely complete, faithfulness and skill must join in the fulfillment of the perfect plan.

In all our Deaconess Homes we have the perfect pattern—Christ, our Lord. We aspire to nobler, better service with every passing year that we may become workmen who have indeed studied to show ourselves approved unto God; workmen that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

It is three years since we entered our new quarters on Niagara Street. Within the past year a new industrial plant, valued at ten thousand dollars, has been erected on the rear of our lot. Present with us at its dedication were many interested friends from all parts of the Conference. Bishop Berry, Dr. Ward Platt, and Mrs. George O. Robinson were the speakers of the evening. It was fitting that Mrs. Robinson should be present on that happy occasion. Nineteen years ago she enthusiastically presented Deaconess Work in Delaware Avenue Church, in this city, and with deepening interest she has watched the development of the work.

Our new building provides for a large industrial plant having rooms for domestic science, boys' clubrooms, kindergarten, sewing classes, gymnasium, dispensary, shower-baths, and infirmary.

Although beginning our work late last fall, seven patients have been nursed. There have been two births here, and we are wholly unable to meet the demand for this branch of work. We see, as never before, the great need of a Methodist hospital under deaconess direction.

We are also rejoicing over the completion of the new Italian Church. The value of the property is thirteen thousand dollars. Two of our deaconesses are kept very busy there.

Another step in this progressive work has been with the railroad officials, engaging and paying the allowance, also transportation, for a deaconess at Niagara Falls Station. In this we also have the co-operation of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union ladies of Niagara.

Two deaconesses are on duty, alternating in day and night work, at Central Station.

Other deaconesses are assisting pastors in Buffalo and other parts of the Conference. Miss Mills, assistant superintendent, has spent the most of the year in presenting the work throughout the Conference.

Our new building bears the name of Minard Hall. A very appropriate name, as it speaks of one who has for nineteen years borne the heat of the day in this glorious Deaconess Work.

Holloway Deaconess Home.

Bridgeport, Ohio.

Miss JOSIE B. HILLMAN, Superintendent.

The Holloway Deaconess Home has just closed its ninth year. With grateful hearts we look back upon the success of this movement. The great wave of financial depression which has swept over our land, and

the class of laboring people in this valley having been out of work for so long, caused the money to fail to come into our treasury as we had hoped; therefore, we were unable to carry out some of our plans of work.

Our workers have been faithful. Our family numbers nine—with one in Training-school in Washington, and one in nurse training in Columbus. More than ten thousand calls have been made, one thousand garments distributed. Five sewing classes and four boys' clubs, for colored and white girls and boys, have been successfully carried on, besides gymnasium work.

A cooking class composed of school girls, and another of girls employed in various lines of business, have been carried on by one of our deaconesses.

The kindergarten, with an average attendance of seventeen, has aimed to reach the foreigners, and, to a great extent, has succeeded.

We are greatly indebted to the kind friends who have aided us so generously in sending money and various supplies to the Home.

Ohio Conference Deaconess Home.

562 Franklin Avenue, Columbus, O.

Mrs. ELIZA J. ROGERS, Superintendent.

Another year has passed into eternity, and the Master knows best the efforts of each deaconess as she has gone forth in her ministry of love, trying to alleviate suffering, to comfort the sorrowing, and to win back the erring ones to the feet of Jesus.

It has truly been a very busy year. The Junior Leagues superintended by the deaconesses have been well attended, with good results. Our kindergartner has done most excellent work in teaching the little ones and in visiting the homes. With her bright, sunny disposition the deaconess has brought comfort and cheer to many sad hearts, and brightened their pathways. The workers have all had charge of Sunday-school classes during the year. A good sewing-school has been conducted by one of our number and has made splendid progress. We leave the work of the year in the hands of our Heavenly Father, who knows all about it, and we are sure He will bless it as He seeth best.

Pittsburg Deaconess Home.

2000 Fifth Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

Miss MARGARET S. BOSWELL, Superintendent.

We have much cause for thanksgiving to God, that notwithstanding the depression in business during the year our work has been well supported.

We have twelve workers connected with our Home. Two have been absent, one caring for her aged parents and another in college; but yet with matron and cook we have had a family of twelve persons. Our house has been completely filled, and if the entire family had been at home we would have had to find accommodation in the neighborhood. We are hoping to have the addition to the Home very soon, so we can receive more workers. Three applicants had to be refused.

Our supplies coming from Auxiliaries, Queen Esther Circles, and Mother's Jewels of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and from our sisters of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, as well as Epworth and Junior Leagues, were more valuable than last year.

Six thousand five hundred and fifty-six calls were made for twelve pastors, nine churches, and three missions; and more than six thousand

persons were assisted by the Travelers' Aid Deaconesses, and three thousand one hundred and fifty-five hours were devoted to nursing.

Another year of kindergarten work has been completed at Robinson Street Mission, Allegheny, closing with a picnic for the tots and their mothers. The son of one of our officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society went to the picnic grounds with an automobile, and delighted the children by taking them through the beautiful park.

Three of our workers were at the Fresh Air Camp for six weeks, and cared for one hundred and twenty-four children, and served over four thousand meals.

We have had a gift of a Rest Cottage from Mrs. Kate Cunningham, and our Deaconess Board has had it thoroughly renovated, so that seven of our family will spend all or part of their vacation there. We have a Board of Managers who are most considerate for our welfare. The Board permits four deaconesses to work in missions under the Church Union.

We are looking forward to having Settlement Work in our own neighborhood, for which we are thankful to our Master.

DEACONESS STATIONS.

Erie, Pennsylvania.

133 West Seventh St.

Miss LAURA BATEMAN, Deaconess.

Another year has come to a close, but our hearts are filled with sweet memories of it. Wherever we go, into homes where there has been sickness, and perhaps death, in the Sunday-school or the League, we hear words of praise for our deaconess. And her work has not been confined to our Church alone, one of our sister churches has been helped, and their numbers increased by her work of love among them. Day after day she has spent her time calling, comforting, and cheering all who needed her service.

May our Father's choicest blessings rest upon her!

Glenn Home.

641 W. Fourth St., Cincinnati, O.

Miss ANNA R. BASSETT, Deaconess.

One of the first duties that devolved upon me as I entered this work was the organizing of two Auxiliaries. One, a faithful band of twenty-five women known as the "Cheerful Workers," meets every two weeks, and their busy hands have fashioned many a garment that has clothed the needy ones among whom we labor.

The second organization, the Glenn Home Auxiliary, has been my especial charge, as I have been its president for long years. Thirty-five loyal members meet once a month, and such devotion to the work they have undertaken has rarely been seen. They feel they must raise the allowance of the deaconess, and every year they accomplish what they plan. They seem to take pride in claiming me as "their deaconess." This year they have raised \$124, surely a good year's work!

Aside from a supervision of these two societies, the calls upon time, strength, sympathy, and resources of a deaconess have been many. It has been my privilege to sit by the dying, and help to soothe the last moments, to send aid to the sick, to assist in the care of the new born

babes, to call in ministerial aid for baptisms, and the many other things that fall to the lot of a deaconess have all been mine. Through all the varied experiences, however, I have felt assured of the promise, "I will guide thee with mine eye." It has been my privilege to make during the year twelve hundred and forty visits among the people of my district.

Indianapolis, Ind.

Reported by Mrs. C. BEHYMER, 5836 Dewey Ave., Irvington.
Miss LOTTIE CONNOR, Deaconess.

During the first of the year I worked in several different Churches during their revival meetings, and calls were made upon members of the Church and strangers in the neighborhood. I remember calling in one home and received the lady's promise that she would attend the meeting that evening. She came and responded to the altar call, going forward, and found peace and strength in her loving Savior. Her last words as she went home were, "O, I'm so glad I came."

In the early spring I was engaged in work for the Italian mission on the south side of the city. Night classes were held three evenings each week, with the preaching services on Sunday. The regular school books were used, supplemented by readings from the Bible, which were enjoyed by the students more than anything else. After the study period had passed, a Scripture lesson, prayer, and singing closed the meeting, and no one would doubt the gratitude of those Italian boys as they stood respectfully waiting to bid us good night, their faces lit up by the joy of learning something to help them in this country, their adopted home. A kindergarten was later opened for the children, and after the usual period of superstitious inquiry and distrust the children came flocking in, until there was an average attendance of fifty.

Also many people in trouble have wanted such assistance as it is our object to give in sickness or trouble, but not knowing where to find us, have gone on alone, when a little help or sympathy would have meant so much.

But this is our Master's work, and He will reveal His plans to us.

Miss ANNA MORRIS, Deaconess.

In addition to my work as pastor's aid I have been giving my services of Sunday afternoons to a little mission in Irvington, a suburb of Indianapolis. This mission was started in March of this year by the Queen Esther girls of the Methodist Episcopal Church at that place. While it is as yet in its infancy, it has done a splendid work in this part of the city, getting several families interested who have never been inside of a Sunday-school. We also have preaching services each Sunday at the close of the Sunday-school, as many can be reached through the sermon who will not attend the Sunday-school.

This last year has been the best of all in my experience as a worker in the Master's vineyard, and by His grace I mean to press forward to still greater efforts in the cause of His kingdom.

Lexington, Ky.

519 W. Fourth St.
PEARL MALONE, Deaconess.

The past year's work has been much of a repetition of that of the year before, namely, as Travelers' Aid, in watching the young and inexperienced mountain girls, for whose destruction Satan's agents are here most active. Houses of ill-repute send their agents into the mountains

to encourage the girls to come to Lexington, promising that they will not have to work hard, which appeals to these under-nourished people. Tickets are then sent these girls, and unless a true friend is at hand, they are hopelessly trapped. Poor innocent, ignorant girls!

I am glad to say that these evil people have learned that the deaconess is in the station, and these evil agents do not visit the stations any more, nor do young boys and girls make it a meeting-place, as they did when I first came.

Aside from my work at the stations, I give aid at the House of Mercy, care for my large Sunday-school class of girls who are organized into a club. They are working hard to raise a scholarship for a student who will in a year graduate from our Training-school in Washington.

WESTERN DEACONESS BUREAU.

Mrs. JOHN W. BUSH, Secretary.

2762 Charlotte St., Kansas City, Mo.

"In ancient times one day of seven
Unto a heathen god was given;
But love shows us a better way,
We give to *our* God *every* day."

These words were written by a deaconess who had given many years of devoted, faithful service to her Master; and in telling once more the story of our year's work in the building of a kingdom, we find in these lines the reason for our advancement. Last year we closed our report with the hope that this year would bring us an enlarged building, more deaconesses, and more money with which to carry on the work. To-day, in telling of the fulfillment of these hopes, we believe it is because every toiler in this vineyard has been prompted by *love* to give *every* day to the world's Redeemer.

Between the borders of Eastern Illinois and Western Colorado, from Duluth on the north to St. Louis on the south, is the work of this Bureau being carried forward. Every one of the various forms of deaconess work has its center of life-giving influence. Scattered over this broad territory, which covers the very heart of our country, are men and women who with a broad outlook upon life and its opportunities have caught the true purpose of their being, and by their earnest effort and care for the miner in his cabin, for the lonely mountaineer in his hut, for the dwellers in the commonplace country or the city slum, these noble workers are building in the hearts of His children the temple of God.

Three years of untiring labor by a little deaconess of Northern Minnesota culminated eight months ago in the establishment of a Deaconess Home at Duluth. Though in a rented house, the furnishings were generally donated, and now the family is composed of four deaconesses doing as many different kinds of work.

We are hoping the day is near at hand when the St. Paul Deaconess Home can be housed in its own building. The municipal authorities, recognizing the value of a trained worker in the new phases of civic life, have appointed the Superintendent of our Deaconess Home, Miss Midcalf, as Probation Officer. At Sioux City, the institutional work of the Church and city has been enlarged and strengthened by the help of our deaconesses. Last winter the benefactor and mother of this Home, Mrs. Shesler, quietly slipped away to be at home in the mansion prepared for her, but with gratitude and love our deaconesses call her "blessed and her works follow her."

From the Denver Home our deaconesses go into every part of the city life, and are assisting pastors and people in carrying an every-day gospel to those who need it most. And at Colorado Springs our nurse deaconesses are watching and caring for the sick in our hospital. At Wichita more workers have gone in and out of the Home than in former years. A department of preparatory training has been established, and three young ladies have taken the first year's course, and expect to complete the course of training in this Home. At Urbana four deaconesses are most successfully caring for a house full of little ones.

The two schools of this Bureau, viz., the Iowa Bible Training-school at Des Moines, and the Kansas City National Training-school have had years of successful growth and prosperity. At the close of the Commencement at Fisk Hall, thirty-six deaconesses gathered for the Annual Deaconess Conference. The crowded conditions at this Training-school have been somewhat relieved by a new building containing laundry, gymnasium, and domestic science kitchen. This house has been built and paid for entirely by local help.

It is to our four hospitals that the year has brought the greatest changes of most marked success. At Springfield, Mo., the Burge Deaconess Hospital has been just a year in its beautiful new building. All the rooms have been furnished and the hospital and our skillfully trained nurses are growing in popularity in the community.

Graham Protestant Hospital at Keokuk, and the Colorado Springs Hospital are both rejoicing in the erection of much-needed new buildings, while Colorado Springs is erecting a magnificent new hospital for its sick ones.

Scattered over this Bureau are twelve stationed deaconesses. Going about on the districts of the Conferences these faithful toilers have made nearly twelve thousand calls, and, though not regular organizers, forty-five new organizations with about four hundred new members for the Woman's Home Missionary Society are some of the results of their work "in His name."

As we look along the way that has led to the vantage-point we have gained this year, we desire to express our hearty appreciation of the helpful counsel of pastors and Deaconess Boards, and most gratefully to acknowledge the co-operation of the good men and women who have labored with us. Though burdened with large business interests and commercial cares, they have paused long enough to give of their time and their money to plan and achieve new and larger benevolences, and for "love of Christ" have helped to make every department of work in this Bureau a marked success. We look to the future cheered by this consecrated fellowship, where it seems that "nobody works for money, and nobody works for fame," but while "love shows us the better way" together we follow the footsteps of the Divine Master who "went about doing good."

Bidwell Deaconess Home and Iowa Bible Training-school.

1155 West Ninth Street, Des Moines, Ia.

Mrs. A. E. SANFORD, Principal.

Miss LULU McMILLIN, Superintendent.

"We are glad to think that we are not bound to make the world go round; but only to discover and to do, with cheerful heart, the work that God appoints."

This we truly feel the members of our family have felt and done. During the past year we have had an enrollment of thirty-nine students. These, with our housekeeper, eight deaconesses, and the principal of the Training-school, have composed our family.

Four sewing and kitchengarden schools have been carried on by our deaconesses, assisted by the students. These classes mean much to the children in our mission districts, for the lessons taught in the schools are carried into the homes, and the mothers find more willing and efficient helpers in their children.

An unusual number of boxes and barrels were received this year at Thanksgiving and Christmas-time, and so we had an unusually happy time with our children and the people needing help, for all were well cared for. We hope the unusual will hereafter prove to be usual. The Travelers' Aid work has proved such a success and such a wide field for deaconess help, that we are more anxious than ever to carry it on. Miss Effie Blood, of the class of 1908, will soon take charge of this department.

The demand for clothing in our mission fields still grows, but with the demand comes the greatest interest of our people who are able to supply the need.

We wish again to thank our many friends who have aided us in any way by word or deed; the Faculty, for their earnest and gratuitous efforts; the physicians, for their lectures and free services to our students whenever they were ill; the Board, who helped meet every emergency during the year by advice and assistance; and our Heavenly Father for His abiding presence, guiding eye, strong arm, and rich blessings, which He has constantly bestowed upon us during the entire year.

ARE YOU A CANDIDATE FOR A USEFUL LIFE?

If you are, then you want to be a specialist in something useful. You want a special training, so that soul and mind and heart and muscle will unite in making the desired effort to accomplish that which you know to be the most important thing for you to do. Where are you keeping your talents, the individual capital stock of your soul? Even natural talents are increased by special training. Do you want to increase the value of your working effort in the Church? Do you want to use all your time in religious or humanitarian work? Then read this page clear through. Is your life's vocation already chosen? Have you found your special field? Then, of course, to round you out, to give a better balance to mind and character, you want an avocation—that, too, to be useful, self-developing, as well as helpful to others. Are you by nature or acquirement a money-maker, so that this constitutes possibly your last best talent? Then you, too, out of your special opportunity can help others to useful lives by supporting what we have in mind in this little article, a place where Bible teachers, deaconesses, nurse deaconesses, missionaries, settlement workers, Young Women's Christian Association secretaries, Travelers' Aid, pastors' assistants, charity agents, and all workers in the great field of applied Christianity are trained to help others to help themselves and to help others.

The Faculty is composed of the very best men and women of various professions, specializing in their respective lines.

The course of study in the school covers that prescribed by the Bishops of the Methodist Church for missionaries and deaconesses, and all such other branches as will best fit them for the above-mentioned positions.

The practical work required of each student is a strong feature.

A high school graduate can complete the training in two years at the cost of \$100 per year.

The following lines of deaconess work are carried on locally:

The Travelers' Aid assists at the various railroad stations the old and the young, rich and poor, sick and well, whithersoever they may be going.

The nurse deaconess, who looks after all sorts of charity cases throughout the city, giving her hospital trained talents free of charge to the needy.

The mission deaconess, who conducts workers' meetings, children's sewing classes, etc., besides calling upon the people in the distressed districts.

The visiting evangelist and teacher deaconess are also carrying on their respective duties.

Favorably situated in the capital city, it is the only institution of its kind in the State under any denomination.

All those desiring to contribute to the work, to the endowment, or building fund for the new addition this summer may remit to the Superintendent, Miss Lulu McMillan. A catalogue may be had by writing the principal, 1155 W. Ninth Street.

Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage.

Urbana, Ill.

Mr. WILLIAM A. DAVIS, Superintendent.

Mrs. WILLIAM A. DAVIS, Matron.

Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage has had a delightful and prosperous year. The children cared for have given evidence of the faithfulness and efficiency of the workers.

We were unfortunate in having a siege of measles, but there were no serious results from it, and the little fellows have conquered one of the enemies of childhood, and are free from the dread of that one. There have been no deaths in the Home for more than three years.

God has wonderfully blessed us with that great boon—health. We have four deaconesses with us, and three other helpers.

The money so long prayed for to build new additions has not yet arrived. We look for it, however, knowing full well that it will come in due time. We have made a number of improvements since last year, and at the present time workmen are busy putting in a private water supply system, which will afford ample fire protection and lessen the work in some departments materially.

There are an unusual number of tiny babies coming to the Orphanage. Should this continue, we shall have to have a trained nurse and a new nursery room.

O! If a part of the wealth of this country could be diverted into this line of charity, what wonderful results would be realized with course of time by the State and nation!

Duluth Deaconess Home.

813 East First Street.

Mrs. MARY J. KREIDLER, Superintendent.

Our Home opened November 1, 1908. This report is for seven months, but at this date we have three deaconesses. All bills are paid and \$175.92 in the treasury. We have no maid, so do the part of Martha in the mornings. Figures are so cold compared with the real, practical work done for humanity, it would take hours of writing to give our experiences.

Our evangelistic deaconess has been in the Zion Ore Mining region, and has given eighteen weeks to revival services, and much good among the foreigners and lumber camps was accomplished. Many souls were made happy in knowing of the Christ. Our experiences were various while working in some of the frontier places. Ox teams and log cabins were seen in villages, not more than one hundred miles from Duluth.

Our Home is in splendid condition, and God has blessed it with warm hearts and appreciative friends for our work among them.

We are not weary in well-doing, and praise God for His benefits toward the Home.

"The crown of the Home is Godliness.
The beauty of the Home is Order;
The glory of the Home is Hospitality,
The blessing of the Home is Contentment."

And we praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Margaret Evans Deaconess Home.

1630 Ogden St., Denver, Col.

Miss LIDA C. MANNING, Superintendent.

Another year has been added to the history of the Margaret Evans Deaconess Home. The Lord has been with us and blessed our efforts. During the year there have been ten deaconesses connected with our Home. The usual changes have come. One of our workers left us to attend a Bible Training-school. Two went home to spend some time with their home people. Three new workers, Misses Cummings, Sigler, and Hubbell, have joined our ranks.

Three of our deaconesses have been doing faithful work as pastors' assistants. Two are giving good service in mission fields. We have recently secured a deaconess to work among foreigners, and are hoping for much from this new work.

We are planning to have a Travelers' Aid in this city where opportunities are so great. Many needy fields come to our attention almost daily, and we are hoping and praying for more workers.

We give God the praise for what has been done, and enter the new year with renewed hope and courage.

Minnesota Conference Deaconess Home.

350 West Third St., St. Paul, Minn.

Miss CLARA MIDCALF, Superintendent.

The Minnesota Conference Deaconess Home has closed a very successful year with five workers. Two new phases of work have been taken up this year that were not carried last year, i. e., Mothers' Meetings were held weekly by Miss Leatha Smith at Central Park Church during the winter; and work has been done at the Juvenile Court. For the success of her work the Superintendent of the Home has been appointed special probation officer, and her duty is to look after the Protestant children brought into that court.

Miss Marion Perry, Conference Deaconess, has accomplished much for the "Home" and the Woman's Home Missionary Society. She has visited sixty charges where she has presented Deaconess Work or Home Missions; and besides reviving and strengthening the societies, has organized three Auxiliaries, ten Queen Esthers, one Home Guards, and five Mothers' Jewels.

Miss Ella Orme has done private work with King Street and Olivet Churches, assisting especially in Sunday-school and Junior League work.

Miss Hannah Nelson is the Swedish deaconess, and assists the immigrants at the Union Depot.

For the coming year two new workers will be added to our number. We look forward with encouragement and confidence, and before many weeks expect to be in our own building, as funds are now being raised to purchase a permanent home.

Shesler Deaconess Home.

Sioux City, Iowa.

Miss SUSIE MORTON, Superintendent.

We now have ten deaconesses connected with our Home. Miss Sarah Crowther, coming to us from Lincoln, Neb., and Miss Mae Smith, of the Kansas City Training-school, having been assigned to our Home.

Our various lines of work have been successfully carried on. Mothers' meetings, two sewing-schools, five clubs for boys and girls, reading-rooms, and gymnasium classes have been conducted. Our new Church at Crescent Park meets a long felt need, and with the Wall Street Institutional Church enlarged and well equipped, we expect to see good results in this field. Many desolate homes have been cheered, and hearts turned to the Master through the ministry of our visiting deaconesses. The kindly hand of our Travelers' Aid has helped many over difficult places. Our two Conference workers have rendered very efficient service to the Churches and the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Last November Miss Haw was assigned to the Ft. Dodge Churches, and her work is meeting with most hearty approval.

Mrs. J. B. Shesler, our beloved almoner, went home one Sabbath morning last November. Like Paul, she had fought a good fight, and was assured of the "crown" and the "house eternal."

The women of Northwest Iowa Conference remember gratefully her wise counsel and loving assistance.

Our Woman's Home Missionary Society. What sisters they have been to us! Hearty in sympathy and co-operation, generous in support. We feel that we can not be too grateful to our Father for such helpers. This year the very generous apportionment was paid in full, with some surplus. This year we can report our Home free from encumbrance, and this makes us very thankful.

We rejoice in what has been accomplished for the Master, and, trusting in His guidance, we enter prayerfully and joyfully upon another year of service.

Southwest Kansas Conference Deaconess Home.

457 N. St. Francis Street, Wichita, Kan.

Miss IDA HICKMAN, Acting Superintendent.

The year ending June 30, 1909, has been a very encouraging one to the workers and friends of the Southwest Kansas Conference Deaconess Home. Brave hearts and clear heads have planned and helped to execute large things for God and humanity.

There have been some changes during the year. Miss Maud Severance and Miss Ida Ankerman have taken up work in other Conferences, and Miss Ankerman has entered the Deaconess Hospital in Colorado Springs, to prepare herself for service as a nurse deaconess.

Miss Conner began the year as District worker for the Wichita District, but her work has been localized, and she is doing heroically for the Emporia Avenue Church, while Miss Sanders has given another year of very successful service to the McPherson District.

Miss Brown and Miss Hickman have each spent another year in Wichita, and given all their time to the local churches. Miss Brown is doing excellent work for Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, and Miss Hickman serving First Methodist Episcopal Church.

During the year three new recruits have come to our Conference—Miss Corbin, Miss Leebrick, and Miss Lovette. Splendid reports of their work come to us from their respective fields.

Each of our deaconesses has demonstrated her zeal in the Master's cause. She feels that wherever there is a needy soul, there is an invitation for her to do her best to relieve it; wherever there is a hungry heart, there is the command of Christ "Go ye;" wherever there is a sinful soul, there is also a soul to be redeemed.

There have been advance steps taken in different lines. Especially is this true of the course in Deaconess Training that has been added as a new department of our institution.

Last year three bright girls took their first year's training, in preparation to enter the ranks as deaconesses. Good work has been done in all lines taught, and faithful preparation for future service for Christ.

We realize that the work accomplished in our Home has been made possible by the friends who have contributed so liberally to our support, without whose support the deaconesses could not have met their obligations and carried their burdens of love.

Our girls are heartily in this service "for the love of Christ, and in His name."

Southern Illinois Conference Station.

Miss MARGARET F. BELL, Deaconess.

548 Veronica Avenue, East St. Louis, Ill.

In this busy parish life Miss Bell does all the work of a visiting deaconess and assistant pastor. Untiring in her labors for those about her, after eight years of broken service she was granted a vacation at the beginning of the year. She traveled seven thousand miles and visited thirteen institutions belonging to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. How her return was appreciated is best told by her own words:

"My people here received me with open arms. Some of my poor people cried when I went to see them, said they were so glad I came back.

"The oldest member of our Church was on his deathbed (has since died); he said he had been praying that he might live until I got back.

"I am thankful that our Heavenly Father is so good to me, and my one desire is to love Him more, and serve Him better."

Southern Illinois Conference Deaconess Station.

200 N. Tenth St., Mt. Vernon, Ill.

LILLIAN E. BISHOP, Deaconess.

As the work of a deaconess in a small town is many-sided, we can not specialize, but must be ready for any emergency, from the filling of the pulpit, should the pastor be out of town, to the teaching of children to cook, sew, and keep house, and even to teach them to scrub the floors.

That loyal band of women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society are my staunch and faithful helpers. God bless them, and multiply their numbers many fold!

I love my work, but often feel that with my varied duties I am not perfecting myself in any one line, and I am most anxious to be an effective worker. But, thanks to our faithful teachers, our Industrial School is doing good work. At Christmas last we had a Christmas tree entertainment in the city hall, and distributed gifts from the tree to two hundred and fifty poor children, who otherwise would have found Christmas much like other days.

In the jail services a number of men have signed the pledge, and later have been truly converted to God.

Northern Swedish Mission Conference Station.

Superior, Wisconsin.

Miss AUGUSTA WESTIN, Deaconess.

Since coming here, it has been my aim to make every day count, and to do the most possible good. I have dwelt upon the words, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

It has been my duty and pleasure to call upon eight hundred and seven families, to visit fifty-six sick people, and to distribute thousands of tracts and religious literature. Flowers have been given away, as well as much aid to the poor. In many of these places I have been permitted to read the Bible and to offer prayer.

We have two Sunday-schools, and in one of them have charge of the Young Ladies' Bible-class. We also have an Epworth League and a Junior League. I am First Vice-President, and am often leader of the devotional meetings.

PACIFIC COAST DEACONESS BUREAU.

Mrs. JOHN STEPHENS, Secretary.

1143 North Center St., Stockton, Cal.

This year has been a year of advance in the Pacific Coast Bureau, marked by the opening of new stations, some of them among the foreign populations, the strengthening of the work in general, and the generous gift of a Rest Home for missionaries and deaconesses, which from its fine location in the suburbs of Oakland with its salubrious climate will be of great value to our Christian workers.

Our deaconesses have given true and faithful service to our Church, and have had much to do in setting the stakes of our beloved Methodism a little farther in advance. Deaconesses in the two homes and fifteen stations within this Bureau report as a part of the year's work a total of 36,778 calls made.

San Francisco Deaconess Home and National Training-school.

129 Haight St., San Francisco.

Rev. E. R. WILLIS, Superintendent.

The National Training-school has had a good year, with twenty students enrolled and a graduating class of six well equipped young women, all of whom have gone forth into the work. Dr. and Mrs. Willis are greatly beloved in the Home, and have the confidence and respect of the community at large. Four deaconesses are working in the Churches of San Francisco, doing the work that comes to the hand of a pastor's assistant, and one is employed at the Ferries as Travelers' Aid. These workers report 11,270 calls made and 2,657 persons assisted.

Southern California Conference Deaconess Home.

511 South Westlake Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

The usual effective work is being carried on in this important center. A new superintendent, Miss M. E. Muilberger, presides over the affairs of the happy family at 511 S. Westlake Avenue, and from this pleasant home go out those whose ministrations bless many Churches and homes. The Hewitt Street property is still to be reckoned as an asset, as are the lots purchased for hospital purposes and entirely paid for. The purchase of another large house and lot for use as a hospital has marked a great

step in advance. The first payment on this valuable property has been met, and soon a Methodist Hospital will open its doors to receive those who need its ministrations.

The Wing Rest Home at Huntington Beach furnishes rest and quiet to many a weary worker, and perpetuates the name of a faithful friend of Deaconess work who has gone to his reward.

DEACONESS STATIONS.

Berkeley, California.

Miss MABEL LAMB, Deaconess.

Miss Lamb came to Berkeley in February, and has done effective service in this important field in securing Church letters and conducting probationers' classes.

Boise, Idaho.

Miss ESTELLE GENTRY, Deaconess.

Miss Gentry has given the entire year in faithful service in Boise. Visiting and helping the poor, praying with the sick, assisting in the Sunday-school, conducting meetings, making 1,115 calls, has greatly helped the pastor and advanced the cause of Christ.

Eugene, Oregon.

Miss MAY BELLE MYERS, Deaconess.

This has been a busy and fruitful year, resulting in much good. Miss Eva M. Lund served with her usual fidelity until March when she resigned, and Miss M. B. Myers, a recent graduate of the San Francisco National Training-school, was appointed in her place. She came to the work in May, has met with a cordial welcome, and the work goes on in ever-widening circles of influence.

Los Gatos, California.

Miss GRACE BOWMAN, Deaconess.

Miss Bowman has worked as parish deaconess in Los Gatos and in Woodland this year, as well as giving forty-one days' service in Travelers' Aid work in San Jose, where nine hundred persons were assisted through her efforts. She looks back upon "hard, busy, but pleasant months of toil," but ahead with happy anticipation, for wedding bells are soon to ring.

Pasadena, California.

First Church.

Miss ADA J. BREAKENRIDGE, Deaconess.

For ten months this great Church has had the faithful service of Miss Breakenridge, who in her busy life has found nothing but "real joy." She reports 1,469 calls, with other items that make up a prosperous year.

Pasadena, California.

Mrs. IDA B. MCCONEY, Deaconess.

Mrs. McConey has given faithful service at Santa Monica, Pomona, and Pasadena this year, doing the work of a regular parish deaconess, making 2,754 calls, and giving special attention to the sick and needy.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Some very interesting cases have filled her heart and mind, and as God's messenger to erring children she has been greatly blessed.

Portland, Oregon.

Miss OLIVIA BOSTROM, Deaconess.

Miss Bostrom has given three months' service among the Swedish people, leading Junior League, conducting meetings, visiting and nursing the sick.

Portland, Oregon.

Taylor Street Church.

Miss IDA MAY DEWITT, Deaconess.

Miss DeWitt has served the greater part of the year here, visiting the hospitals, assisting in meetings, and "lending a hand" wherever opportunity offered. A thousand calls form part of the record of the year.

Portland, Oregon.

Trinity Church.

Miss FLORENCE TWIDWELL, Deaconess.

Miss Twidwell has served in Trinity and Epworth Churches, Portland, doing the usual parish work. Being gifted in song, she finds use for her talent in leading the singing in revival services.

Reno, Nevada.

Mrs. EMMA J. KIRK, Deaconess.

Mrs. Kirk's work in Reno has been characterized by her usual fidelity to every trust, and as she leaves this field it is with the love and esteem of the whole Church, and of many others to whom she has ministered.

. Sacramento, California.

Mrs. HELEN R. PECK, Deaconess.

We welcome Mrs. Peck after her year of rest, and rejoice in the good work she is accomplishing in Sacramento in the Sunday-school, the Home Department, and in the Intermediate and Junior Leagues.

San Jose, California.

Chinese Miss.on.

Miss EMMA R. LANE, Deaconess.

Miss Lane has had rather a unique position as teacher in the mission night school for young men, conducting a kindergarten for children and teaching the mothers in their homes. The work is extremely difficult, but good progress has been made.

San Jose, California.

First Church.

Mrs. MARY WIDAMAN, Deaconess.

Mrs. Widaman is closing another good year here. The membership of the Church, that was so scattered after the earthquake, has grown from two hundred to eight hundred, and in every department of the

Church work the wise counsel of the deaconess has been felt. She reports 1,227 calls made during the year, 38 probationers prepared for Church membership, and 23 letters secured.

Watsonville, California.

Miss CARRIE PIERSON, Deaconess.

Miss Pierson gave a portion of the year to work in this city, teaching in the school for Chinese and conducting a kindergarten, besides doing other work connected with our Church. Not being in robust health, she was compelled to give up the work in November, much to the regret of pastor and people.

Tucson Deaconess Station.

Tucson, Arizona.

Miss FLORA JACOBS, Deaconess.

Sometimes it seems long since I came to Arizona, but still the impressions are as vivid as if I had looked upon its barren stretches yesterday for the first time. As far as the eye could reach we saw the beating sun upon the sands, the cloudless blue above, while in the far distance the mountains on the horizon looked like caravans crossing the desert. Everywhere was an awful stillness, and when at night the stars stole out one by one all along the way and we looked upon the tall cacti standing as silent sentinels of the night, such loneliness was everywhere that it entered my very soul.

But I drank in the sunshine and watched the stars at night. The stillness and grandeur of it all took possession of me, until now I love these desert spots that have brought me life again, for in loneliness my soul has budded and blossomed into deeper life within. I am well once more and so happy to begin my old lines of work. My field is this whole Territory, and I am taking up special rallying work under pastors at different mission points.

At Douglas our Auxiliary gave "Queens and a Kingdom." All the women and the girls of the Church took part. In a few minutes over \$20 were raised. Douglas hopes to name the office in our new building at Tucson.

The Junior League held a membership contest, making an increase in two weeks of fifty, bringing the membership up to seventy-five. At a Bible contest between Bisbee and Douglas the Leaguers ranged themselves into old spelling-school style, answering questions from both the Old and New Testaments. Not one question was missed on the Douglas side.

At Glendale near Phoenix special rallying days were held for the different departments of the Church. There were special lessons and drills for the children, and other days were devoted to the work of our women. On Woman's Home Missionary Society day a splendid program was given, and Glendale hopes to take a \$100 room in the new building at Tucson.

From this beautiful sunny valley I went to Tombstone, where in the Sunday-school work the membership was speedily doubled in one week. While there the granddaughter of Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, our President Emeritus, came to me and said: "Miss Jacobs, do you know any one who would like a Christmas tree this year? I have had mine for two years and you know we can't get any real ones. So I have the kind that

folds away. This year I want to make some one else happy." The sacrifice of this dear child brought joy to thirty hearts in our school at Tucson. At Phoenix we have an interesting Auxiliary, splendid programs, fine attendance, and great work undertaken. The ladies help in the support of a girl at Tucson, and have raised nearly \$500 this year to name the parlor which is to be furnished by Mr. George Smith in mission furniture, and Mr. Hirst will furnish a room in honor of his wife.

At Tucson our Sunday-school is flourishing, and twenty of our boys and girls have just come into the Church.

Davis Deaconess Home.

347 East Fourth Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Miss C. E. ROBINSON, Superintendent.

The year has been filled with labors abundant. Statistical reports give but a meager representation of work actually accomplished. Four licensed deaconesses and the superintendent have constituted our family during the greater part of the year.

In May, Miss Gertrude F. Beicher was obliged to leave the work, at least temporarily, because of illness.

We have entered upon no new lines of activity, as the parish work seems to be most needed here, and requires all the energies of the deaconesses. Nearly all the Junior League and other work among children must also be done by them.

An Auxiliary at Selma, Cal., sent us a valuable barrel of fruit during the year, which was greatly appreciated.

We recognize the guidance of Him whom we are glad to serve, and hope the new year may be more fruitful than the closing one.

BUREAU FOR SUPERVISION OF COLORED DEACONESSES.

Mrs. M. C. B. MASON, Secretary,

2231 St. James Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Upon reviewing the work of the past year, our hearts are filled with thanksgiving and gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the success which He has given us in the prosecution of this important work.

Our station workers have made hundreds of calls, and many unfortunate ones have been helped to better ways of living, physically and spiritually. These deaconesses are employed as Church workers, who visit and help in the work of the local Churches. Thus far the work is encouraging, and many blessings have come to this Bureau, notwithstanding we have had many disadvantages.

Our deaconesses are doing excellent work, and it is encouraging to know how much these devoted Christian workers have accomplished. These good women touch the lives of hundreds of needy, desolate men, women, and children. As a result, we are having from all sides a crying demand for more trained workers in this field. The ministers can not do their work and look after the sick and needy, so God has inspired this self-sacrificing army of deaconesses to help them, and everywhere comes the word that they are doing it well. I am glad to say that at our

last Board meeting plans were made relative to using a cottage at Walden University owned by the Woman's Home Missionary Society for a Training-school for missionaries and deaconesses. The outlook is hopeful, but what we need is ready money with which to start the work.

Will you, in God's name and in the name of suffering humanity, help this cause, so that this Training-school for colored girls may be opened this fall? That the earnest Christian girls, who want to answer the Master's call, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men," may have a place to be trained for this much-needed work.

Of all the great movements of our Society, perhaps none more fully deserves a foremost place than this Deaconess Movement. At present the Church has nearly ninety deaconess institutions, but because of their situation they are not within reach of the majority of our colored girls. It is, therefore, highly necessary that deaconess institutions be established in the South, especially for our girls.

Therefore, in behalf of our Society, and in the name of the womanhood of our race, I plead with you to give us a chance and give us your help, and let us make our Training-school at Walden University a living power.

COMMITTEE ON REST HOMES.

Mrs. S. W. DAVIS, Chairman, 1016 South Avenue, Wilksburg, Pa.

Bancroft Rest Home.

74 Cookman Avenue, Ocean Grove, N. J.

Miss ANNA MOSHER, Superintendent.

Mrs. MARY DUNSHEE, Associate Superintendent.

Shall we draw aside the curtain and take a glimpse of the inner life of Rest Home? You will find some there who have served long and faithfully. Through their efforts many have been led into a larger, better life, and are passing on to others the teachings of these noble women. Surely their "works do follow them." Many in that great day will call them "blessed." Though they are not now under appointment, yet consecrated, loving hearts always find something to do for the Master. Their hands are yet filled with loving ministry. There are others who are at the battle front, while the heart burns with enthusiasm for the work to which they have been called; yet the weariness of the flesh reminds them that He whose they are and whom they serve not only calls them to "work for the night cometh," but also invites them to "come apart and rest awhile." Many of the weary toilers, well-nigh exhausted, have sought this place of rest. The sea air, the helpful influences and surroundings of Ocean Grove, the quiet and rest, have resulted in restoring health, refreshment for soul and body, with renewed spiritual fervor to again enter the great harvest field, seeking to save the sinning, rescue the perishing, and comfort the sorrowing ones. Many have thanked God for Ocean Grove and Bancroft Rest Home.

Fifty deaconesses, thirteen missionaries, and nineteen other Christian workers have been entertained, beside others who are interested in the work. The localities represented by the toilers are as follows: Jacksonville, Fla.; Columbus, Ohio; Washington, D. C.; Atlanta, Ga.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Hazelton, Pa.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Newark, N. J.; Jersey City, N. J.; Paterson, N. J.; New York, N. Y.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Utica, N. Y.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Unalaska, Alaska; San Juan, Porto Rico.

To all who contributed to our linen shower, table supplies and other gifts, we are profoundly grateful. The *Central*, *Western*, and *Pittsburg Christian Advocates* have each paid us a weekly visit during the year, the pages of which have been read with great profit and appreciation; also the *Ocean Grove Times*, contributed by Mrs. C. B. Dickinson. Our Industrial Home girls have rendered very efficient service in caring for our guests.

Caroline Rest Cottage.

Round Lake, N. Y.

Because of some changes in the character of the summer gatherings at Round Lake, several of the deaconesses in the Troy Conference felt that they desired to spend their vacation where the Spirit should lead. The property has therefore been sold and the money turned for use in the Deaconess Home in Albany. We are gratified for the comfort the Home has in the past afforded, and also now for the use of the money in a more needed place.

Elvira Olney Rest Cottage.

Epworth, near Ludington, Mich.

Reported by Mrs. E. G. Lewis.

Ionia, Mich.

The Cottage was open as usual this season, entertaining one hundred and twenty-nine guests, one of whom was a missionary.

The receipts of the season were ample to cover all expenditures and leave a handsome balance in the treasury.

Kate Cunningham Rest Cottage.

Ridgeview Park, Ridgeview, Pa.

Pittsburg Conference.

Reported by Mrs. W. R. KUNZ, Chairman.

This Cottage was opened early in July, and was a haven of rest for nine of our deaconess family—five from the Conference, and four other friends.

The Cottage had been thoroughly repaired, painted inside and out, new rugs, etc., added, and larger front and back porches built. Several members of our Deaconess Board, as well as a number from our Conference Executive Board, were generous in their gifts and untiring in their efforts to have these improvements made for the comfort of our workers. A sister of one of the deaconesses, while sojourning at the Cottage, was happily converted.

We had a delightful Woman's Home Missionary Day during the

Camp-meeting; good singing, good reports from Conference officers and missionaries, and last, but not least, a fine address by Miss Corbin.

Thompson Rest Home.

Mountain Lake Park, Md.

Reported by Mrs. S. W. DAVIS.

The tenth year of Thompson Rest Home has closed with a record of success, both spiritually and financially. Our good Miss Hicks was still at the helm, and her invaluable management universally appreciated.

From June 10th to September 1st eighty-three guests were entertained, among whom were six deaconesses, seventeen Christian workers, twenty-eight Young Women's Christian Association students, and thirty-two others.

Liberal supplies were received from Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands, and almost one hundred dollars given to entertain our students and deaconesses.

The warm Christian atmosphere and sisterly spirit elicited most cordial words of appreciation from the guests.

After all obligations were met, a handsome balance remains in the treasury, which will be used for repairs and for entertainment next year.

Wing Rest Home.

Huntington Beach, California.

Reported by Mrs. M. E. MULBERGER.

511 Westlake Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

Wing Home is pleasantly located in two ways. First, the Methodist Camp-meeting is always held at Huntington Beach, and the Home is very near the pavilion, making it easy for the deaconesses to attend the meetings and assist in the services, which is very much appreciated by the ministers in charge, and at the same time they receive "showers of blessings." Then, there is no more pleasant and quiet place for these dear, tired deaconesses to rest than in this nice Rest Home.

So far this season six deaconesses have spent part of their vacation there, with more to follow as they can leave their duties.

OUR HOSPITALS.

Mrs. D. B. STREET, Chairman of Hospital Committee.

1000 Ninth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

There are six hospitals connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, of which four are its direct property. Owned by the Society are the Sibley Hospital—the Nurse Training Department of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school at Washington, D. C.; the Graham Protestant Hospital at Keokuk, Iowa; the Ellen A. Burge Deaconess Hospital at Springfield, Mo., and the Brewster Hospital at Jacksonville, Fla.

At Colorado Springs is the Colorado Conference Deaconess Hospital, belonging to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Colorado Conference. The Boston Medical Mission, the Hospital Ward in the Buffalo Deaconess Home, and the small Fisk Hospital belong respectively to the Woman's Home Missionary Societies of the New England, of the New York, and of the Genesee Conferences.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

At Indianapolis, the Indiana Methodist Episcopal Hospital works in affiliation with the Woman's Home Missionary Societies of the three Indiana Conferences. Women representing these societies are members of its Board of Managers, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society gives credit for the supplies and money given to the Indiana Hospital by the Conference Societies of the three Indiana Conferences.

The general principle laid down by the Woman's Home Missionary Society is, that "Institutions which are owned by the Society are under the control of its Board of Trustees."

The local care of hospitals is committed to the Local Board of Managers as indicated in the Rules and Regulations, which vary in different hospitals and are largely shaped by the local conditions.

Hospitals belonging to Conference Societies, and also hospitals in affiliation with the National Woman's Home Missionary Society, as is the Indiana Hospital, provide their own Constitution and By-laws, subject always to the condition that there shall be nothing in the same opposed to the provisions of the Constitution and the By-laws of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

With the exception of three hospitals—one at Jacksonville, Fla., the small wards at the Boston Medical Mission, and Fisk Hospital at the Watts de Peyster Home at Tivoli, N. Y.—the rest of the hospital work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has developed within its deaconess institutions; and, with the above exceptions, has been under the supervision of the Deaconess Department.

However, the hospital work has so increased, and also promises such future growth, that a separation is expedient. The Board of Trustees has therefore formed a Hospital Committee, appointed as its capable Chairman, Mrs. D. B. Street. She will be aided by members of the Committee, by the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and the Secretaries of Bureaus in whose territory our hospitals are located.

The expansion in hospitals now demands a leader experienced in the details of hospital work. The General Superintendent therefore gladly passes these cares into the hands of the efficient Chairman of the Hospital Committee, trusting that she may find great joy in this noble service. The following ladies form this committee: Mrs. D. B. Street, Chairman, 1000 Ninth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.; Miss H. A. Bancroft, 425 Cass Avenue, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, 644 N. Thirty-second Street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. J. F. Mund, 4800 Broadway S. E., Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. J. W. Bush, 2762 Charlotte Avenue, Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, Richmond, Ind.

As Chairman of the Hospital Committee, it was my pleasure to visit last June three of these institutions, viz.: the Ellen A. Burge Hospital at Springfield, Mo., the Graham Protestant Hospital at Keokuk, Iowa, and the Flower Deaconess Hospital at Toledo, Ohio. This institution is owned jointly by a local Board of Directors and the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Central Ohio Conference. The property is beautifully located, has large grounds in a most desirable section of the city, and a new building to be used as a nurses' home is in process of erection. We were glad to see one of our Sibley Hospital graduates officiating as chief operating-room nurse.

Special reports are given of each institution, showing the great scope of this work done "in His name."

Ellen A. Burge Deaconess Hospital.

1327 N. Jefferson St., Springfield, Mo.

Miss MAUDE E. LUCKEY, Superintendent.

Since last year's report we have had many victories. Sometimes the way has looked dark, and then again God would show His rainbow of promise, and our hearts would bound with joy at His gracious dealings with us.

The electric elevator has been in use since September, and is a great help to us in our work; and with our superior operating-room facilities, we are gradually becoming known in the surrounding country, and paying patients are increasing in number.

Since our last report we have cared for 157 patients. Twenty-four per cent of these have been charity cases; some so appealing to our sympathies as to make this service one of great joy.

We hold our praise service every Thursday evening in our parlors. This is a source of enjoyment to our bedfast patients, as well as to others, and many have spoken of the pleasure the hymns and prayers have given them. Many of the sick have been shown the way to Christ, and thus souls have been healed by the Great Physician, whose servants we are.

Our Nurse Training-school now numbers five. Our senior nurse graduates in January, at which time we hope to have suitable exercises.

The Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital of the Central Ohio Conference.

3336 Collingwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

Miss EMMA ENDERS, Superintendent.

The close of this year greets the Central Ohio Conference Deaconess Home and Hospital with a very hopeful outlook. Deaconess reports remind one of that verse, "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." Reports show very little of the real service of the deaconess.

The hospital with its capacity of fourteen beds has cared for 207 patients, performed 108 operations, has had 7 deaths and 2 births.

A Training-school for nurses has been opened, and seven young women are now in training. Thus it will be possible greatly to reduce running expenses in the near future.

Colorado Conference Deaconess Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Miss FLORENCE E. STANDISH, R. N., Superintendent.

This year has been one of the most marked progress in the history of our hospital. The present building has been filled to overflowing, and many have been refused admission simply because there was no available space in which to care for them. We look forward with delight to the new building which we shall soon occupy, and which will give us enlarged opportunity to minister to suffering humanity, many of whom are soul-sick and hungry for spiritual healing, as well as for physical help.

Our Hospital Guild, composed of two hundred splendid women from

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all the Protestant Churches, have been untiring in their efforts, and are rendering heroic assistance.

Our Nurses' Training-school is taking on new inspiration as our building nears completion, and we expect to have a class of twenty-five young women to go into the enlarged work with us.

Graham Protestant Hospital, Keokuk, Iowa.

Miss MARY C. JACKSON, Superintendent.

Mrs. LAVANDA G. MURPHY, General Superintendent.

F. B. DORSEY, M. D., Chief of Medical Staff.

Another year of active duties, of crowded conditions in this institution, of opportunity to comfort the sick and dying, of longing for a larger building in which to aid more greatly those who need our help—and thus life is teaching us our lessons.

Our hearts are filled with gratitude that we can now see our much-needed new building is in process of construction. It will be modern in all its appointments, and give us much space in which to care for larger numbers who are now being turned away for lack of room.

Our faith in our Heavenly Father is strong, and we fully believe that with these renewed efforts He will help us more greatly to convey His blessings to the needy ones He sends us.

The Methodist Hospital of Southern California.

2826 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, Cal.

We were surprised to find in Los Angeles a new hospital, to which some of our deaconesses are to be sent—Miss Switzer and Miss Tree, both graduates of Sibley Hospital and of the Grand Rapids Bible Training School. Both have had graduate work—one in New York, and the other in Boston—in preparation for special service. We visited the hospital and found it a most attractive building; value, \$32,000. It is beautifully located in a pleasant part of the city, with large, ample grounds, upon which are large pine, pepper, and other ornamental and useful trees.

We rejoice in the opening of this hospital, which will make comfort for those who have little of this world's goods and yet need care; for those who can afford to pay small prices but can not possibly meet the expense of a large hospital. We ask God's blessing upon these brave women who have undertaken this work for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Southern California Conference.

Sibley Memorial Hospital.

Pierce Street, near North Capitol Street, Washington, D. C.

Rev. W. H. WILDER, D. D., LL. D., Superintendent.

Miss PANSY HAVENS, Director.

We come again to report another year of marked success. The wards and rooms have been filled, and the nurses and physicians have been crowded with duties to the suffering.

The director and her helpers are deaconesses, and they have again proved themselves ready for the most strenuous calls to duty. As usual our patients have represented nearly every creed, and almost every racial color. Representatives have been in the hospital from nearly every State and Territory in the Union.

Our very large new electric elevator is doing superior service. It is only another reminder of the generosity and efficiency of the Sibley Hospital Guild—a body of fine, earnest Christian women who are constantly meeting the many constant demands of a hospital, many of whose patients are unable to furnish the needed comforts and necessities of the sick-room.

SUMMARY OF THE DEACONESS INSTITUTIONS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

With the exception of a few of the smaller Homes under our care, not counting the two hospitals affiliated with us, our Society owns the property in which these institutions are housed. Ten of the larger institutions given in the table of statistics own, besides the Home, one, two, or three other buildings for the use of the work. Two of these buildings are mentioned in the table; the others are not. The list below indicates the variety of work undertaken.

Our Society has for housing its work:

- 41 Deaconess Institutions.
- 11 Industrial buildings and kindergartens are connected with these.
- 7 Include training-schools as well as Homes.
- 1 Orphanage includes a Home.
- 2 Hospitals include also a Home.
- 2 Homes include small hospitals.
- 5 Are exclusively hospitals.
- 5 Are exclusively Rest Homes, one of which is open permanently, while the others are used only in summer.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Statistics of the Deaconess Work.

DEACONESS INSTITUTIONS.	Value of Property and Endowment	Debt	Deaconesses, Probationers & Students	No. of Calls Made	Visits to Hospitals, etc.	Meetings Held or Assisted In	Hours Spent in Ind'l Schools	Hours Spent in Nursing	Hours Spent in Spec'l Serv.	Value Supplies Rec'd at Home	Yearly Expenses...	REMARKS.
Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training-school	\$14,000 00	\$3,000 00	12	4,158	333	311	557	140	4,810	\$5,585 77	\$2,446 40	Three graduated reported elsewhere, making number of students 36.
Baltimore Deaconess Home	30,000 00	4,000 00	13	13,384	526	1,455	1,036		5,420		4,155 03	
Mt. Tabor Industrial Building	7,500 00									139 17	2,940 12	
Bancroft Rest Home	17,500 00	1,600 00	42	11,303	577	647	282	745	2,357	1,513 00	5,333 55	Property has been sold.
Bidwell Deaconess Home and Iowa Bible Training-school	10,000 00											
Brooklyn Deaconess Home and Training-school	35,000 00		21	24,864	533	828	522	340	2,024		5,201 60	
*Caroline Rest Home	300 00											Former name changed to Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home.
Cleveland Deaconess Home	25,000 00	5,500 00	27	15,452	215	4,334	6,867		17,130	2,606 93	7,021 02	
Colorado Conf. Deaconess Home	16,000 00	6,300 00	7	12,061	110	340		150	1,791	470 07	3,274 43	
*Colorado Conf. Deaconess Hospital	40,085 00	3,000 00	10							507 41	8,362 22	Six graduates reported elsewhere, making number of students 36.
Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage	26,000 00		6								6,225 64	
Davis Deaconess Home	20,000 00		5	3,238	47	210		130	305	67 60	1,032 86	
Detroit Deaconess Home	24,000 00											Property has been sold.
William Avenue Mission	7,000 00	4,400 00	14	10,130	174	700			2,264	583 87	4,638 79	
Douglas Westside Memorial Deaconess Home	8,000 00		7	5,775	86	436			402		1,801 38	
Duluth Deaconess Home	500 00	Furniture	4	3,000	85	724		97	213	95 10	860 28	Former name changed to Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home.
Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Hospital	40,000 00		4	42	38			Not stated.		200 00	4,307 76	
Hospital	40,000 00		11								8,356 94	
*Elvira Olney Rest Home	512 50										923 10	Six graduates reported elsewhere, making number of students 36.
Genesee Conf. Deaconess Home	27,500 00	8,000 00	14	8,605	436	745	85	1,286	8,411	1,639 23	4,446 84	
Graham Protestant Hospital	18,000 00		2								8,081 16	
Holloway Deaconess Home	10,000 00		9	15,489	240	1,866	604	495	2,635	547 12	1,051 17	Property has been sold.
Holloway Deaconess Hospital	27,000 00		11	10,659	190	2,473	1,040	1,953	3,777	922 85	2,021 61	
Kansas City Nat. Training-school and Deaconess Home	75,000 00		45	13,997	396	2,687	175	286	13,773	1,084 53	6,795 42	

*Rest Homes are reported one-half the value of property, current expenses and supplies, with the exception of Wing Rest Home, which is Deaconess property.
 †Brooklyn Deaconess property, to the value of \$10,000, owned by Evangelical Union.
 ‡Old property to the value of \$10,000 to be sold.
 §Jersey City Deaconess Home property owned by Evangelical Union, furnishings to the value of \$2,000 not counted above, owned by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Newark Conference.

Reports from Bureaus.

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Five graduates reported elsewhere, thus making the number of students here reported 98 instead of 103.

Work and expenses of stations reported with Home.

Work of 5 deaconesses reported, 1 changed and 1 added.

Not connected with Training-school.

	255,000 00	18,333 04	102	1,530	25	104	400	Not stated.	95	47,931 40	Five graduates reported elsewhere, thus making the number of students here reported 98 instead of 103.
Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school (Bible Department)...	10,000 00	3,000 00	4	4,431	116	102	57	2,840	441 72	2,078 54	
Shiley Memorial Hospital (Nurses' Training-school)...	200,000 00	30,000 00	8	3,856	50	62	48	753	200 00	2,048 50	
Maine Cent. Deaconess Home	8,000 00	6,473 00	6	4,060	115	115	162	3,033	486 61	1,846 20	
Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of State of Indiana	20,000 00	15,000 00	8	13,058	102	120	630	581	9,077 77	8,077 77	
Newark Deaconess Home	8,000 00	6,473 00	6	4,431	116	102	57	2,840	441 72	2,078 54	
Ohio Conf. Deaconess Home	15,000 00	10,000 00	8	3,856	50	62	48	753	200 00	2,048 50	
Open Door Mission and E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home	8,000 00	6,473 00	6	4,060	115	115	162	3,033	486 61	1,846 20	
Philadelphia Deaconess Home	20,000 00	15,000 00	8	13,058	102	120	630	581	9,077 77	8,077 77	
Pittsburg Deaconess Home	30,000 00	20,000 00	12	6,556	102	2,100	1,304	3,155	7,601	1,230 82	
St. Louis Deaconess Home	15,000 00	10,000 00	8	4,431	116	102	57	2,840	441 72	2,078 54	
St. Paul Deaconess Home	32,000 00	22,000 00	10	24,082	470	2,871	305	347	5,123	10,128 00	
St. Paul Deaconess Home	7,000 00	5,000 00	3	6,205	140	1,426	374	150	377 20	3,335 52	
Southern California Conf. Deaconess Home and Hospital	15,000 00	10,000 00	8	13,058	102	120	630	581	9,077 77	8,077 77	
S. W. Kansas Conf. Deaconess Home	6,000 00	4,000 00	7	7,000	107	900	100	420	410	1,388 14	
St. Paul Deaconess Home	6,000 00	4,000 00	7	7,000	107	900	100	420	410	1,388 14	
Stone Deaconess Home	6,500 00	4,000 00	7	7,000	107	900	100	420	410	1,388 14	
Thompson Rest Home	1,008 00	1,000 00	1	757	11	96	98	1,070	2,002	2,430 12	
Washington Deaconess Home	8,500 00	4,000 00	6	5,540	60	205	...	1,070	2,002	2,430 12	
Washington Deaconess Home	2,355 00	2,355 00	3	2,411	30	96	94	64	71	1,118 86	
Wing Rest Home	3,000 00	3,000 00	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Los Angeles Deaconess Hospital	32,000 00	8,000 00	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	\$1,180,600 50	107,006 04	408	252,800	5,567	26,850	14,414	14,314	105,021	24,680 57	184,661 71

DEACONESS STATIONS.

Atchison District, Kansas.	1	1,151	18	65	100	...	...	...	...	328 00	
Altoona, Pa.	2	4,151	18	65	100	...	...	...	...	526 00	
Barre, Vt.	1	960	...	48	...	160	31	15 00	315 00	...	
Berkeley, Cal.	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Binghamton, N. Y.	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Boise City, Idaho	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Burlington, Vt.	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Chapulte, Kan.	1	500	...	33	...	20	12	...	55 00	...	
Clinton, Ohio	1	1,240	20	58	310	...	...	...	120 00	...	
Elkhart, Ind.	1	1,591	32	378	350	...	...	...	19 70	250 00	
Ellsworth, Kan.	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Erie, Pa.	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Erie Conference	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Eugene, Ore.	1	1,433	40	120	...	8	561	14 80	421 20	328 00	
Grant City, Mo.	1	305	24	72	141	...	...	...	6m 150 00	...	
Hazleton, Pa.	1	521	3	224	141	...	...	...	288 73	442 01	
Indianapolis, Ind.	2	1,862	77	160	130	276 00	...	
Kansas City, Mo.	1	473	...	212	...	12	8m 200 00	...	

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 † Deaconesses now in Kansas City Training-school, and so reported. ‡ Work and expenses reported with San Francisco Deaconess Home.
 ‡ Wing Rest Home reported with the Los Angeles Deaconess Home.
 § Work reported with the Open Door Mission and E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home.

Statistics of the Deaconess Work.—Continued.

DEACONESS STATIONS.—Continued.	Value of Property and Endowment.....	Debt.....	Deaconesses, Probationers, & Students....	No. of Calls Made.....	Visits to Hospitals, J's. etc.	Meetings Held or Assisted In.	Hours Spent in Ind'l Schools	Hours Spent in Nursing.....	Hours Spent in Spec'l Serv....	Value Supplies Rec'd at Home	Yearly Expenses ...	REMARKS.
Lexington, Ky.....			1	1	15				1,697		\$270 00	
McHerson, Kan.....			1	1	18		60		31		328 00	
Mt. Carmel, Pa.....			1	1,204	4		60		127	\$122 00	328 00	
Meriden, Conn.....			1	1,030	91		182		182	205 24	328 00	
Moundsville, W. Va.....			1	3,130	201		150		150	325 08	325 08	
Newton, Kan.....			1	1,668	0		110		454	111 57	111 57	
Norfolk, Neb.....			1	1,272	2		185		16		328 00	
Norton, Kan.....			1	510	282		35		107	4 00	200 00	
Ogden, Utah.....			1	700	12		15		35		270 00	
Pasadena, Cal.....			1	995	17		375		4		328 00	
Portland, Ore.....			2	703	28		15		71	7 20	300 00	
St. Johnsbury, Vt.....			1	703	28		15		55		950 00	
Sacramento, Cal.....			2	546	283						328 00	
Salina, Kan.....			1	979	1		325		3		164 00	
South Kansas Conf.....			1	861					45		150 00	
Superior, Wis.....			1	593	73		150		1,050	35 00	328 00	
Tacoma, Wash.....			1	877	6		43		987		245 00	
Tulsa, Okla.....			2	1,887	70		92		25	75 00	328 00	
Union, N. Y.....			1	1,014	15		104		10	90 60	935 00	
Wellington, Kan. (S. W. Kan. Conf.)			15						656		956 16	
Wilkesbarre, Pa.....			49									
Deaconesses in New Stations			15									
Deaconesses not in Regular Stations												
Licensed Deaconesses to be added.....												
COLORED DEACONESS STATIONS.												
Marshall, Tex.....			1	1,777	28		26		84	24 08	166 45	
Montclair, N. J.....			1	225	31		40		122		140 00	
Newark, N. J.....			1	134	11		24		71		120 00	
St. Louis, Mo.....			1	1,106	8		20		76	47 80	107 20	
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*Work and expenses reported with San Francisco Deaconess Home.

†Deaconess now in Stone Deaconess Home and so reported.

CHINESE WORK.

Home for Chinese Women and Girls, 1918 University Avenue, Berkeley, California.

(SCHOLARSHIPS. —In Home, \$70; In Kindergarten, \$15.)

It was with high hopes that we returned from the General Meeting at Philadelphia. A conference with the officers of the Board of Home Missions resulted in such definite promises that the deeds to the lots which they were to convey to us would be executed at once, that our faith took hold on the certainty of a completed Oriental Home within a few months.

Soon, however, complications began to arise in regard to the deeds, and delay followed delay, until we were almost in despair and cried out from our hearts, "O, for faith and strength and patience to carry through this enterprise that is so beset with difficulties!"

The Board of Home Missions have no doubt done the very best they could for us, but in spite of their efforts and ours we have gone through the year without a beginning for our building.

We have recently received a deed to seventeen and one-half feet of land from the Board of Home Missions, a part of the fifty feet given to our Society in lieu of our equity in the old Mission House. The thirty-two and one-half feet lying between our original forty feet and this seventeen and one-half feet is in the hands of the Board of Foreign Missions. We are assured that they will make over the deeds to us soon.

Even when we receive the deeds we are not yet able to proceed with our building. Since the great fire of April, 1906, when all the records were burned, a law has been passed requiring every property-holder in San Francisco to enter suit in the courts to re-establish the titles to their property. This process requires from four months to a year to complete. We have been urged to proceed with the building, not even waiting for the deeds; but no contractor would take the contract until he knew where the money was coming from to meet the payments and no bank or individual would loan the money until the titles were cleared. We can do nothing but wait, hoping that when another year's record shall be written it will be a story of success attained. We will, however, ask our friends to continue making pledges toward our building fund and paying them, for as fast as the money is received it is placed in the savings bank and begins to earn more money for us.

The long delay has given our women time to study the needs of the work more carefully than ever before, with the result that there has grown up a strong sentiment in favor of separating the Rescue Work from that of the family, children, and innocent little ones. The time was when the work was entirely Rescue Work, but later years, especially since the fire, there has come to us many who were orphans or half-orphans and some abandoned children. Some parents also have desired to send their children to the Home for the schooling and industrial training. There is great opportunity to enlarge this part of the work if the other can be separated from it. A recent action of our Bureau, if it be approved by the Executive Board, will entirely segregate the two classes of work.

A comparatively uneventful year in the Oriental Home is just closing. Very few rescues were made, for with no adequate facilities and no way to seclude them, only such girls as were to be put into the life

and not those already in it could be with safety brought into the Home. Very recently word came to Miss Davis that a young girl was being held in San Jose and that she was soon to be placed in a brothel. She had been brought into the country last January as the wife of the man who had her in charge. An attempt was made to place her in a brothel at once, but she objected and was finally taken to San Jose. Miss Davis, with her interpreter and two detectives, located the girl, and making a sudden descent upon the place, they surprised the women who had her in charge and took her away. The case is now in the courts, and it is probable that the girl will either be given to us or deported.

A number of family children have come into the Home during the year. Early in December a little girl was placed in the Home by her mother, who said that the child's father was dead and that she was in debt to a man, who was about to take the child for the debt.

Little Oi was a very sweet-spirited child and very teachable in things religious. For several nights after she came she stood in the doorway watching with great interest the little ones, who, when they were ready for bed, ran and climbed into the Matron's lap or knelt by her side to repeat their "Now I lay me." Finally, one night when they had all run away to be tucked into bed, she came forward and, kneeling beside the Matron, repeated after her the first prayer those lips had ever framed to that loving Heavenly Father who accepts a prayer though it be "the simplest form of speech that infant lips can try."

A few months ran on, and one night a Chinaman came and demanded the child, saying her mother, who was in Salt Lake, had sent for her. We would not, of course, let her go without positive proof that he had a right to her. When he brought his certificate of marriage to the woman and the judge who performed the ceremony, we were obliged to give the child up. We have since found that the child's father is living and that her mother had run away with the man that came for Oi. Miss Davis made a trip to Salt Lake a few weeks ago to find her, for we had heard they were mistreating her, but they had all disappeared. We are hoping that we will yet be able to find and bring her into a place of safety and care.

The school in the Home, with Caroline as teacher, has been more than usually successful. The little ones have made very rapid progress during the year. The older girls who have but little English got a clearer understanding of their subjects because of Caroline's ability to explain the exact meaning in both languages. The girls who have been in the public schools and high school have been a real credit to us. One of our girls, Grace Young, graduated from the high school at Christmas time and has gone to China to teach.

The Home has been especially helped this year in having as a worker Miss Clara Palmer, a graduated nurse and physician. Her desire was to get some insight into the Chinese nature and ways of living, preparatory to some later work in China. Miss Palmer has expressed her surprise at finding the children so bright and interesting. She had thought, as many others no doubt think, that Chinese girls were stolid and stupid. She agrees with us that it is a great work and its power for good could be greatly increased if the work were divided.

There has been no serious illness nor any death in the Home. Neither has there been a wedding. During a revival service held in Trinity Church last spring several of our girls were spiritually quickened, and three who had never before made a start were converted and joined the Church.

We shall need fifty scholarships in the Home the coming year, at \$70 each.

The visit of Miss Davis and the eight children through the East was a revelation to many of our people and did more to really interest and awaken the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to the merits of our work than any other method we could have employed. During the seven months of their travel they visited forty-two cities, and many thousands of people outside of our Society learned something of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society as it is carried on under the Bureau for Chinese Work on the Pacific Coast. Lasting friends were made for the work, and we are hoping great things from them. The results of that trip we can not estimate, but we trust we will go on reaping benefits from it in ever-increasing volumes of sympathy and love and generous gifts.

Our kindergarten in San Francisco, under Mrs. Hussey, has had a successful year in spite of many drawbacks. Over fifty children have been enrolled each term and good results have been obtained, although the room is small and very inconvenient. Our San Jose kindergarten, though not as large, has, under Miss Lane, a deaconess, been very efficient. The coming year we will establish a kindergarten in Sacramento, so that altogether we will have to ask for seventy-five kindergarten scholarships at \$15 each.

We have had three missionaries at work this year. Miss Chau, who has for many years gone in and out in Chinatown visiting and teaching and helping by counsel and instruction toward Christian living, still continues to fill her days full of good works. She says in her report:

"Visiting among the families is most interesting. More girls attend school than formerly; still many at the age of fourteen are kept in the seclusion of the home, not being allowed out unattended. Teaching among such is often productive of much good. Two of my Home pupils have been married recently, and we are hopeful of being able to bring up their children with better religious and educational training than theirs has been. We have reason to rejoice at the religious growth of the children in our school. Those who were antagonistic to Christian teaching now attend and enjoy Sunday-school. Two who rebelled against anything savoring of gospel training now are the first to raise their hands when asked, 'Who have asked the Lord's help for the duties of the day?' Changes have been necessary in our methods of work, but the telling of the old-new story has been our motive, and the development of Christian character the result at which we aim."

Miss Nora Bankes is our missionary to the Chinese women and children in Los Angeles. Miss Bankes' regular visiting list includes forty-six families, in which there are 114 children. These include both heathen and Christian families, and they look to her for help when they are in trouble. Miss Bankes spends many days during the year in court, at the call of the immigration officers. She has been ably assisted this year by her sister, Miss Mary Bankes, who is a returned missionary from China and speaks the Cantonese language.

The third missionary is Mrs. Chow, one of our own girls trained in our Home and for a number of years the interpreter for our workers. She is now the wife of a Chinese minister and is a beautiful Christian character. Her work can best be judged by a few items from the monthly reports she makes to our Bureau, expressed in her quaint idiom. She says: "Where I am going they are so interesting with the Lord Jesus Christ and the singing. After I got through I asked them to kneel down and pray and they look very respectfully to it." "A woman from San Francisco came to Watsonville, she say she never heard about Jesus before. I wonder so many missions work in the city and yet somebody never heard about the salvation of Jesus Christ." Again: "There were

two women and one girl taking Bible study regularly for searching for the salvation and eternal life. They are getting so interested. I hope the Almighty God will quicken their hearts and souls being saved." If our Home had saved only this one girl it would have paid, but we have had many earnest Christian workers to the credit of the Bureau for Chinese Work.

The year's work is ended, but we are facing another, for Christian work is not pastime, and once we have entered the service, we are never off duty. In preparation for this, let us "add to our faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge temperance, to temperance patience, to patience godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness, to brotherly kindness love."

MRS. J. E. PIATT, *Secretary*.

JAPANESE AND KOREAN WORK.

Ellen Stark Ford Home for Japanese Women and Children,
San Francisco, Cal.

(Scholarship, \$60; Kindergarten, \$15.)

God bends from out the deep and says,

"I gave thee of My seed to sow,
Bringest thou Me My hundred fold?"
Can I look up with face aglow
And answer, "Father, here is gold?"

As we take a retrospect of the work for the past year among the Japanese and Korean women and children who have come under the loving care of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of California and the Hawaiian Islands, can we feel that our seed-sowing of gospel truth has been so faithful that we can look up into His loving face and say, "Father, here is gold?"

The ladies of the Bureau for Japanese and Korean Work feel they have great cause for encouragement and thanksgiving for the results of the past year, for the reformation which comes from the efforts in applying the blessed gospel is even more wonderful than that beautiful story told by Ruskin when, taking a handful of black mud and slime from the side of a path in the outskirts of a manufacturing town, in which he found four clements—clay, sand, soot, and water, the clay gathered up the loveliest blue rays only and became a sapphire; the sand arranged itself in parallel lines which reflect the blue, green, purple, and red rays we call an opal; the soot, the hardest thing in the world, reflects all the rays of the sun, and we call it a diamond; the last of the four, water, became a dewdrop and crystalline star of snow. In a similar way these little sisters come under the influence of the gospel and not only are their lives transformed, but their faces reflect the radiance of the King of Glory.

In our San Francisco Home twenty children have been received during the year, most of these half-orphans, having lost their mothers either by death or desertion. During the summer our family has been divided, the Matron, Mrs. Anthony, with the younger portion have been tenting at Beulah, on the property given to the Woman's Home Missionary Society by Mrs. Montgomery, and the older girls at Carmel-by-the-

Sea. This has been a very healthful and pleasant change for our girls and a great comfort to our ladies during the building of our new addition, which was dedicated September 12th.

Since occupying our Pine Street Home the past four years we have never had the comforts of a pantry or laundry, consequently all the clothing for a family of thirty-five a part of the time, and most of these children, has been dried in the house during the wet weather. Last winter being unusually rainy, the house was damp continually from wet clothing with no heating plant in the house. Constantly colds were contracted and sickness was prevalent, losing one little one from pneumonia; we felt we could not face the same problem again this year, so the addition has been built, containing a large kindergarten or assemblage hall on the ground floor, with an outside entrance and southern exposure; a dining room, pantry, store closet, and kitchen on the second floor; a dormitory and Matron's room on the third floor, with laundry on the roof. The cost of this improvement has been close to \$4,500, and as the general Society has still a burden of debt to carry, our Bureau has taken the responsibility of financing this venture.

One Sabbath last winter an aged Korean woman entered the Home to attend Miss Lake's Sunday-school. She sat in an attentive attitude while the interpreter translated the lesson on "Prayer," and at the close asked the privilege of giving a testimony. She urged the little women to take the lesson to themselves and profit by it, for she herself had been so happily converted ten years before in Korea, that she felt she must tell her Korean sisters the story of Jesus, and she became a traveling evangelist and had the happiness of seeing 160 women accept Christ. While she could not say they all had a deep experience, she knew their lives were changed and they had thrown away their idols. Her husband died in six years' time, and her two grown sons had decided to turn their faces toward America; never having been separated from them, she decided to come, too, and was happy at the prospect of coming to the Christ's land where she could learn more of Him in mingling with His people. She came and went with the boys directly into the interior on to a ranch. She worked in the field by the side of her boys from early morning till late in the evening, being so weary at night she was glad to cut her devotions short in order to get to rest. In the mornings there was no time for devotions; finally they were dropped altogether; there was no one who spoke to her about Christ, and no one who appeared to know Him; her boys were working for money, and she fell into the same way, and now, after four years being in this country, this was the first service she had attended and the first time she had heard of Christ, as she and her boys had come to the city for the first time to spend the Christmas season.

She said once her heart was tender, but now it was hard and she had none of the happy sensations she formerly had, so she urged those present never to give way to the search for worldly riches, but to lay up treasures in heaven. Does this not prove our great need for a field worker? What a responsibility rests upon Christian America!

Our steamer work in San Francisco goes steadily on. Miss Lake meets the incoming steamers, and while there are fewer women coming to our shores than formerly, those who come are of a good moral class and are generally wives joining their husbands or brides coming to meet their *fiancées*. Few are among the ignorant class, most of them having had a good common school education; five have been college graduates; some of these it has been a real joy to meet. One charming little bride-to-be was taken to the Home until the groom arrived from another part of the State. The ceremony was performed in the Russian Catholic

Church, of which the husband was a member. Our missionary was one of the bridal party, and since their departure has received most charming and appreciative letters from the bride. Another little lady who was in the Home for three weeks this summer awaiting the arrival of her groom has written a most touching letter to Miss Lake, telling her of the influence thrown around her by the girls in our Home and the sweet peace which we know passeth understanding and which has entered her life from reading the little Testament given her by Miss Lake on her departure.

These are the testimonies which come to us from the steamer work and which give us inspiration to go on in this good work. One hundred and thirty-three have passed through the Home the past year. During the past four years 1,000 have passed through the San Francisco Home, and who can estimate the amount of good accomplished through this branch of the work?

Most of those who have landed the past year have gone to the country to live as ranchers' wives. There is a large population of Japanese around Sacramento, and it is said that over 2,000 receive their mail at Watsonville. Many of these have wives and families, and this shows the great need for a worker who can speak the language and visit the rural districts.

Susannah Wesley Home, Honolulu, Hawaii.

The work in Honolulu is making rapid advancement in its influence for good. During the year the family has numbered ninety, forty-five being the greatest number in the Home at any one time. Twenty-eight women have taken refuge in the Home, and most of these after entering the Home have heard the gospel for the first time, but the greatest encouragement is received through the work among the children. There are thirty-one children in Susannah Wesley Home, six of these under three years of age. This means much care for our missionary, who is giving her life for the little ones, though her work is not confined to those in the Home alone. She is a real help and inspiration to the little Japanese King Street Church. The pastor being in poor health, she has taken charge of his Sunday-school, and during her six months in the school she has been encouraged by seeing it grow in numbers from nine to thirty-seven.

The people of Honolulu have come to recognize and appreciate the influence for good Susannah Wesley Home is exerting, and have made it possible to continue the work by giving liberal financial aid. As has already been told, Mr. C. M. Cooke, president of the Bank of Hawaii, a member of a sister denomination and the gentleman from whom our property was originally purchased, last Good Friday presented the Home with \$5,000 as an endowment fund; he has recently passed to his home beyond and entered into his reward.

January last the Mary Castle Trust also placed the Home on its beneficiary list to the amount of \$25 per month. The ladies of our Bureau greatly appreciate the generosity of these kind friends, and from our hearts a prayer of gratitude goes out to our Heavenly Father, who careth for His own. From time to time other friends in Honolulu have aided us, not alone with finances, but in many practical ways.

Notwithstanding the generosity of these friends outside of our own denomination, we are still in need of more scholarships for Susannah Wesley Home, and there are children we must refuse for lack of funds, who are motherless and have only the care of drunken fathers.

The work in this beautiful city of Los Angeles has been carried on

for some years by our deaconess, Miss Mabel Anderson, visiting from house to house, teaching English to the women in their homes and carrying to them the gospel, and at the same time giving her evenings to teaching in the night school, but she has never had a place where the women could come to her. There are about five hundred Japanese women and children in the city, and they are so scattered that no one person can accomplish much by traveling from house to house, and so a plea has gone out for a home where these little women can come in time of need, and where they can all be gathered together for mothers' meetings and for gospel influence. Last May a place was rented and such a home provided with our deaconess missionary in charge. Six little women and two babies have been cared for during these few months, but \$25 per month will not sustain a Home and provide for a worker; the expenses thus far have been met by soliciting among friends. Now other measures must be taken to provide for this work, and we come with a plea for Los Angeles, for more liberal appropriations, and a more generous response from our Auxiliaries.

We enter upon the new year's work with fresh courage and new zeal, putting our trust in Him who said, "Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world." MRS. C. B. PERKINS, *Secretary*.

PORTO RICO.

The George O. Robinson Orphanage, San Juan, Porto Rico.

(Scholarship, \$40.)

The extremes of joy and sorrow have met in our beautiful Porto Rican Orphanage during the year just closed. Our dear Mrs. Sarah B. Roll was called to the "mansion prepared for her from the foundation of the world," while our oldest daughter went forth from among us to make the first home to be presided over by one of our girls. Mrs. Roll was a woman who was deeply consecrated to the work of the Master and greatly beloved by all of our girls as well as her co-laborers. She is safe with those whom "we have loved and lost awhile." Isabel Torrens, our married daughter, had a beautiful home wedding in the Orphanage. The wedding supper was prepared and served by the older girls of the family, and was pronounced a great success. Isabel writes in a recent letter: "I am just as proud of my home as Miss Hegeman is of the Orphanage. I am thankful for my training at the Orphanage, and will never forget it." May God bless this home, and make its life a blessing to all it may touch!

In health we have been blessed wonderfully. Our children have been spared to us, and are now enjoying the blessings of our Christian home life. Many of our girls are living Christian lives, and the Sabbath school and weekly prayer service are helpful to them.

In material things we have been prospered. The Yates Cottage has been fully repaired and is a great boon to our work. The second floor is occupied by twelve of our larger girls as a dormitory and a room for the teachers in charge. On the first floor is the kindergarten and primary class-rooms, also a large sewing-room, a play-room, and a store-room. Through the generosity of friends we have had a cement laundry built, where the girls, under the supervision of a teacher, do their laundry work. This is a decided advantage in many ways. Through the generous provision made by our good friend, Miss Effa Zilpah Ham,

before her death, Miss Hegeman has realized another one of her dreams, and our girls have a large pavilion where they are sheltered from sun, and yet may play and exercise in the open air. Our good Superintendent writes in a recent letter: "We have a nice lot of good clothing made for the girls, and everything is in order from the front walk to the back fence. Really the place is beautiful."

And yet—we need more money that we may give to more girls the advantages our present family are enjoying. We want to enlarge our capacity so that at least two hundred and fifty girls may be prepared for life here and hereafter.

Our faithful and devoted teachers, Miss Rose Cunningham, Miss Sallie Gill, and Miss Jennie Wagner, with our Superintendent, Miss Hannah Hegeman, have been instant in season and out of season. Our faithful farmer, Justo, must not be forgotten, for he has been loyal to our interests. Miss Rebecca Hammond, of New Concord, Ohio, will soon go to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Miss Cunningham as teacher.

In our Orphanage we must face this question, After the Orphanage—what? for our girls. They are ours until they are eighteen. All may not marry, and unless they can marry Christian men we do not want them to marry. Two of our older girls are to be in Rust Hall for training during the coming school year. We have made ourselves responsible for their support while there, and believe our great Society will so rejoice in this early fruitage from our work that there will be no difficulty in securing this needed money. Including their passage and scholarships, the expense will be at least \$500. Who will help? May God bless these dear girls, and give them the needed grace for the work of preparation for service in their Island Home!

Day Schools in Porto Rico.

(Scholarship, \$15.)

We well remember when we were permitted for the first time to report our McKinley Day School in San Juan and how glad we were to have *one* such school. This year we are privileged to report four very flourishing Day Schools. One year ago we were permitted to listen to Bishop Oldham as he spoke for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Anniversary at Ocean Grove, N. J. He said with reference to the institutions of that great Society, "Multiply your Orphanages, hospitals, and other institutions, but do not fail to multiply your Mission Day Schools." "For," said he, "every child going to his home at the close of the day from such a school is an evangelist to that home. With his Christian songs and hymns and the Scripture he has learned he will touch hearts which even the missionary may not reach, and the child shut up in the Orphanage can not reach." We fully believe this doctrine, and until there is seating capacity in the public schools for the school population we must multiply our day schools. Would that in Porto Rico we could have at least a kindergarten in connection with every Church!

McKinley Kindergarten and Kindergarten Training-school.

This is the oldest of our day schools, and has done splendid service for the childhood of San Juan. The enrollment last year was one hundred and fifty, with an average daily attendance of about one hundred. The average attendance of these children in the Spanish Sunday-school of our Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church was ninety.

The training-class for young Porto Rican woman has had an average of seven members. The work done by our faithful Superintendent, Mrs. Elma Allen, with these young women can not be too highly commended. Three of them are now competent to have charge of schools. Last year one of these young women conducted very successfully our kindergarten in Vieques. Another had charge of the school in Puerta de Tierra, a suburb of San Juan. Not only are these young women trained to become teachers, but their Christian lives are wonderfully developed under the influences in the training-class.

Fisk Day School, Ponce, Porto Rico.

This, in point of age, ranks as our second day school. There our native teacher has done faithful service, and the best of her ability has been given to this important work. The enrollment has been sixty. The average attendance, fifty-four. The entire number of scholars—sixty—are enrolled in the Spanish Sunday-school, and the average attendance has equaled the average in the day school—fifty-four. Here we should have a school building of our own with an apartment for the residence of an American teacher. We hope ere long to establish industrial classes for girls and women and trades classes for boys. Ponce is a most promising field, and we should have an adequate equipment. (Then, too, we should like to have a trained nurse, preferably a Deaconess, to assist in the work of the dispensaries which are already established under the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.)

Vieques Day School.

Last year, by special contributions from friends and Auxiliaries, we were enabled to open a day school in connection with the "Church of the Christ Child" on the Island of Vieques. The enrollment has been one hundred, with an average attendance of eighty and an average in the Sunday-school of sixty. Miss Maria, the teacher here, has been very successful; and she was trained in our San Juan McKinley Training-school. This year the Vieques school is entered on the conditional list of appropriations, and we hope there will be a hearty response to its claims for help on this lonely island in the Southern seas.

Puerta de Tierra Kindergarten.

This school is under the auspices of our McKinley Day School, and has been supported by a judicious division of the funds of the McKinley School by Mrs. Allen. It is really the practice department for our Training-school. Puerta de Tierra is a suburb of San Juan, where kindergarten work is greatly needed. The enrollment since this department was organized last January has been seventy-five, with fifty of these in the Sunday-school.

As we close our report, which tells but a small part of the story, we want to make special mention of the work of Mrs. Allen, who has made possible our Training-school, and whose knowledge of kindergarten methods has been such a Godsend to the young women and children in our schools. Also to report that Miss Jennie Wagner, who began her work as Mrs. Allen's assistant last fall, has proven herself to be the woman for the place. We must mention Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wilson at Ponce, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Hubbard (Miss Lila Thayer), of Vieques, who have given time and attention to the day schools in these places. We

are grateful for their help. Dr. Haywood is always kind to us, and responds cordially when we appeal to him for advice.

Would that we could at least double our forces in this Emerald Isle of the West Indies! The King's business requires haste. Then why shall we not hasten? Mrs. S. C. Clarke gives the key to the situation in the following lines:

"O, sisters, 't is for us to tell the story,
For us to bid salvation's waters roll;
To us the alien races look expectant,
And dumbly lift to us the shackled soul.

Their *ignorance* has claims upon our knowledge,
And shall they cry, and we refuse to give?
Our very privileges make us debtors;
To let them die forbids our right to live."

(MRS.) MAY LEONARD WOODRUFF, *Secretary*.

SPANISH WORK ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

When I read Matt. 9: 36, and am told that there are sixty thousand Spanish-speaking people that come within the bounds of my own Conference and belong to my burden, that are seeking after God, the majority of them trying to find him in Mary and the saints, I think I know something of the compassion of our Lord.

One of our school girls told me that when she used to go to the Catholic Church she would look around at the images of the saints and then be careful to pray to every one, lest, if she omitted one, it would be jealous and do her harm.

This idolatrous Church, which is counted among the Christian Churches, notwithstanding its pagan forms and ceremonies, is increasing in numbers in our own country.

Since the General Home Society has charge of the missions the Woman's Home Missionary Society started, we have given our attention to making the Frances M. DePauw School a blessing to the girls of this Latin people. We see the need of a missionary who can go among and teach the mothers of our girls.

Frances M. DePauw Spanish Industrial School, 4840 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, Cal.

(Scholarship, \$60.)

The past year, as each of the previous ones, has been a year full of earnest work, both by pupils and teachers.

Sixty-three girls have entered this year, and a greater average attendance than heretofore has been obtained.

The closing exercises on the evening of June 23d were attended by a large number of parents and friends of the girls, who were very much interested in the cantata given by the music pupils and the other parts of the program. One girl graduated from the grammar course of study.

The vacation has been spent in making improvements and repairs of the property, the Superintendent not only overseeing, but doing actual work.

Each year, after more than fifty people have lived in the building, we

know what all that means in a school. It is necessary to paint, calcimine, and replenish worn-out articles. This year a part of the attic was finished off for a dormitory. Dormer windows were thrown out for light in the dormitory, and the other part of the attic which is used for a store-room.

The sewage problem is a very difficult problem in the section of the school. There is no sewer, and the strata of the earth to a great depth is almost impervious. The fourth sewer has just been dug to a depth of fifty feet. The expense is heavy, and each time we have wondered, when these expenses in the summer are to be met, if our money will hold out. We thank our Heavenly Father that so far we have had no debts.

A revival in a nearby Church interested a number of the girls. The Catholic influence sometimes creeps into the school, making it harder for the girls to live Christian lives and for the teachers to develop spirituality in the institution.

The school stands for righteousness first, but always for Protestantism, and it is sometimes a question as to how far we can safely go in admitting Catholic girls. However, different ones have been converted and have become earnest Christians.

Our work is one of faith. Year by year it is owned of the Master, so that all, including teachers and local board, work on, giving thanks for all things and at all times.

MRS. A. M. WHITSON, *Secretary*.

MISSION SUPPLIES.

The dominant feature of the religion of Christ is that of helpfulness, and helpfulness is the keynote of the work of the Bureau of Supplies.

The record for another year is closed, and it shows that a great work has been done. In fifty-four out of the sixty-six Conferences which have reported, there has been an increase in cash supplies. Newark, Genesee, Pittsburg, and Southern Illinois made the greatest gain, the increase in each being over one thousand dollars over last year.

The work of the Auxiliaries has been a blessing to them, and has carried comfort and cheer to many discouraged hearts. The faithful efforts of the Conference Supply Secretaries has made it possible to place this year 607 appeals for needy ministers and their families. The reports from the Conferences which care for their own members will increase this number three hundred or more. There was spent for new goods and pre-paying freight on barrels \$73,112.72. Eighty-seven thousand two hundred and forty second-hand garments were reported sent. The letters of appreciation which so often followed the receipt of the barrel are evidence that good, comfortable clothing and needed household supplies were sent. Numerous barrels of miscellaneous clothing were sent to District Superintendents for distribution. A number of fur coats and fur robes were sent to ministers in the West and Northwest. Our Industrial and Deaconess Homes and hospitals have been remembered liberally. Our women need only to be awakened to the great opportunity for service which comes with a knowledge of supply work, and they become interested in this labor of love. One dear woman wrote me a short time ago: "Please send me the name of a minister with a family in need of winter supplies. Our Church can send a box and not half try. I took up this work only last year, and must work hard the rest of my life to atone for wasted years when I was not interested in the work." The influence of such a spirit will be felt.

Everywhere the cost of living has almost doubled, and frontier min-

isters are finding it impossible to live upon their small salaries. The pathetic letters which so often accompany appeals tell of great need, also of wonderful faith and heroic courage. Let us not complain because the work is increasing instead of growing less. The demand of the coming year will be great; we must not grow weary in well-doing. The fact that the Lord is giving us more and more to do may be His way of acknowledging our service.

We are on the threshold of a new year, peering into the possibilities before us. What it holds for us we do not know. We have entered upon it relying on Him whose love changeth not, and to His service we consecrate our best efforts.

"Give of thyself. Man's wealth depends
Not on the pence he holds and hoards,
Not on the gift he well affords,
But on the spirit gold he spends."

REPORT BY CONFERENCES.

	Garments.	Books.	Cash.
Austin .....	.....	.....	\$75 00
Baltimore	735	139	2,559 76
California	407	.....	985 75
Central Illinois	1,580	.....	444 49
Central New York.....	2,269	623	1,778 61
Central Ohio	1,110	49	705 42
Cincinnati	3,555	242	2,095 00
Central Pennsylvania	852	124	1,329 69
Colorado	3,201	.....	2,146 98
Columbia River	331	21	199 97
Des Moines	7,031	85	3,317 16
Detroit	481	.....	1,824 74
East Ohio	1,143	15	1,431 38
Erie	2,114	215	2,074 80
Genesee	5,925	594	2,945 93
Holston	3	.....	7 50
Illinois	1,147	192	2,070 44
Indiana	714	28	1,019 48
Iowa	856	.....	776 81
Kansas .....	.....	.....	1,426 25
Kentucky	252	86	104 63
Lexington	32	.....	12 15
Maine	1,632	8	446 01
Michigan	867	14	703 82
Montana .....	.....	.....	85 00
Minnesota	2,179	.....	900 07
Nebraska	330	31	461 65
Newark	2,551	165	3,796 21
New England	2,159	236	830 80
New England Southern	1,290	29	601 10
New Hampshire	566	25	248 35
New Jersey	856	.....	1,212 24
New Mexico English Mission.....	.....	.....	25 80
New York	1,159	168	3,257 99
New York East	2,968	50	1,803 51
North Dakota	186	270 97
North Indiana	2,814	519	1,365 33
North Ohio	1,014	7	1,533 26

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	Garments.	Books.	Cash.
Northwest Indiana	1,217	11	706 98
Northwest Iowa	3,022	187	885 92
Northwest Kansas	47	50	106 76
North Nebraska	1,323	61	561 35
Northern Minnesota	1,000	.....	644 20
Northern New York	2,290	208	1,130 66
Ohio	998	141	1,057 52
Oklahoma	42	.....	88 38
Oregon	818	20	640 23
Philadelphia	2,402	355	3,256 85
Pittsburg	1,000	28	2,580 07
Puget Sound	823	.....	349 33
Rock River	6,014	60	2,122 04
St. Louis .....	.....	13	621 71
St. John's River	49	.....	63 01
South Kansas .....	.....	.....	89 60
Southwest Kansas	1,134	.....	1,474 12
Southern California	2,850	.. ..	1,954 14
Southern Illinois	1,873	319	1,470 55
Troy	4,131	36	4,244 68
Upper Iowa	2,528	49	715 09
Vermont	555	.....	253 11
Washington	954	240	446 59
West Virginia	609	54	270 27
West Wisconsin	1,073	.....	355 62
Wilmington .....	.....	.....	374 26
Wisconsin	753	58	251 41
Wyoming	1,523	260	1,347 67
Totals	93,346	5,815	\$75,545 17

MRS. E. Y. KING, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

We return thanks to Almighty God for the manner in which He has led us, and with gratitude we testify to the great work done by the Department of Young People.

We greatly appreciate the faithfulness and hearty co-operation of our efficient Conference Secretaries. To them we say: All hail! God be with you in your activities among the young people for the evangelization of our own country; and do not rest content until every Church in your Conference has an existing body of Young People in active service for the work of our beloved Society, remembering *always* that new societies need watchful care and oft-repeated information and instruction. The strength and efficiency of our Field Secretaries, Miss Carrie Barge and Miss N. Elizabeth Evans, has been a source of great joy and inspiration to us. They have traveled many miles in the interest of the work and added many organizations to our ranks; also interested and encouraged others. It is with much regret we report the enforced retirement of Miss N. Elizabeth Evans for a period of two years on account of ill-health. We recommend the Secretary to be authorized to convey to Miss Evans our appreciation of her labors in the past and our regret for the present necessity of retirement. Fifteen Conferences have changed Secretaries during the last year. I have received letters from each new Secretary—

STATISTICAL REPORT, DEPARTMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE.

CONFERENCE.	Young People's Society.	Young Women's Auxiliary.	Members.	Dues.	Scholarships or Student Aid.	Other Funds.	Free-will or Thank offering.	Supplies.	Total.
Alabama.....	51	63	\$10 50				\$15 00		\$25 50
Atlanta.....	1	40	8 00						8
Baltimore.....	31	981	333 80		\$568 81	\$973 33	30 75	\$454 89	2,361
California.....	25	100	33 07		267 74				300
Central Illinois.....	12	275	102 30		186 96	30 34	57 25	44 75	421
Central New York.....	26	475	210 17		375 50	141 00	5 20	218 53	950
Central Ohio.....	30	780	244 32		243 00	166 70	73 84	48 81	776
Central Pennsylvania.....	26	579	268 80		274 22	107 68	184 85	102 50	958
Cincinnati.....	38	580	258 51		343 00	166 30	188 95	206 17	1,162
Colorado.....	24	493	183 00		239 03	216 70	43 57	105 98	788
Columbia River.....									
Des Moines.....	32	512	194 25		634 30	13 41			841
Detroit.....	54	1,049	345 57		1,084 96	120 57		33 96	1,595
East Ohio.....	42	715	386 12		955 75	123 97	59 00	137 32	1,662
Erie.....	31	693	267 23		50 38	150 20	91 65	71 00	1,100
Genesee.....	27	363	157 17		189 02	410 30		120 00	876
Holston.....	10	293							180
Illinois.....	32	683							748
Indiana.....	18	200	32 34		170 00	10 93	5 32	84 91	303
Iowa.....	16	279	145 88		149 47	44 05			339
Kansas.....	14	196	21 90		60 50	12 75		22 00	117
Kentucky.....	3	67	26 05		50 00		37 34		113
Lexington.....			1 00						1
Little Rock.....	6	78	26 10		2 50	78 95	53 00		160
Maine.....	16	293	95 00		75 00	60 00	50 00		280
Michigan.....	25	338	126 36		233 00	35 20	44 78	15 00	454
Minnesota.....	25	516	73 77		117 50	10 28		100 00	301
Missouri.....		11		New Conference		Organized July 4, 1909.			
Nebraska.....	27	364	136 40		180 00	16 36	12 00	40 50	386
Newark.....	21	325	126 78		392 00	7 00	24 76	34 89	586
New England.....	23	364	106 20		65 00	189 25	21 60	3 27	364
New England Southern.....	9	136	34 38		75 00	22 05			131
New Hampshire.....	6	138	42 60		75 00	20 65			138
New Jersey.....	22	470	221 23		459 41	100 14	213 13	122 30	1,116
New York.....	12	275	70 15		230 00	8 55	200 00		708
New York East.....	26	562	221 55		787 99	318 50		100 78	1,438
North Dakota.....	5	161	21 50		74 50	41 75			137
North Indiana.....	48	880	284 52		617 24	107 28	82 63	205 88	1,207
North Nebraska.....	11	169	39 35		58 07	66 14	14 68		112
North Ohio.....	17	407	133 32		67 80	91 50			292
Northern Minnesota.....	20	405	91 97		236 36	25 36	24 36	60 00	430
Northern New York.....	24	425	146 10		349 12	13 80	32 00	175 18	716
Northwest Iowa.....	20	270	107 70		137 75			18 60	264
Northwest Indiana.....	19	380	183 18		608 84				792
Ohio.....	18	425	134 50		94 50	46 92	67 40	160 93	504
Oregon.....	7	123							32
Philadelphia.....	31	703	239 82		579 50	329 54	867 50	1,203 43	3,219
Pittsburg.....	25	393	341 49		1,200 00	1,314 31	200 00		3,057
Puget Sound.....	12	147	73 70		171 00	13 09	19 75	8 00	285
Rock River.....	41	710	274 48		1,030 94	14 65			1,380
St. Louis.....	14	274	130 75		268 97	118 33	207 76	138 95	864
South Kansas.....	11	204	186 86		75 00	4 00		15 40	207
Southern California.....	26	845	250 21		2,214 51				2,464
Southern Illinois.....	24	258	100 00		237 80	15 25	12 10		365
Southwest Kansas.....	27	570	225 46		474 65	101 35		241 99	1,043
St. Johns River.....	1	19	4 80			10 26	15 00		30
Troy.....	31	844	437 73		449 90	29 32	248 34	71 91	1,237
Upper Iowa.....	18	357	176 03		234 14		21 11	32 98	464
Vermont.....	4	130							80
Washington.....	7	80	40 00		47 00	5 00		100 00	187
West Virginia.....	18	150	46 25		77 00	14 40	15 50		153
West Wisconsin.....	9	115	17 40		55 00				72
Wilmington.....	11	203	101 50		20 25	54 50		23 26	405
Wyoming.....	19	239	145 86		168 20	17 00	6 60	59 00	370
Total.....	1,233	23,184	\$8,466 98	\$18,684 83	\$5,919 04	\$3,246 81	\$4,763 07	\$42,139 14	

bright, capable women, who come into the office with consecration and enthusiasm and promise much for the advancement of the work in their respective Conferences.

It is a source of great gratification to report the organization of a new Conference this year—the "Missouri," July 4, 1909—and the appointment of a Secretary for the same.

In regard to report blanks we urge a systematic use of them. We anticipate with pleasure the time when every organization will co-operate. If each local officer realized that only through reports can we learn what the year has been to us as a whole, I am sure they would not so often think that they had nothing of importance to report. New Secretaries find it very difficult, on account of incomplete records, to know the amount of work that has been previously done. In order that records should be complete and comprehensive, we have compiled a statistical report book covering a period of five years. It is our desire that every Conference adopt this book. It will not only greatly facilitate the work of the Secretary, but also be a permanent record of the work done in the Conference. The strength and efficiency of our Young People can not be estimated by the report of dollars and cents which is given. In many instances Conferences have partial reports; so numerically it falls far short of that which we should be able to give. There has been an increase in organizations of 182; in members, 2,082; in receipts, \$9,299.19. The Conference raising the largest amount, Philadelphia (\$3,219.79), thus winning the beautiful American flag. The Queen Esther raising the largest amount, First Church, Pasadena, Southern California (\$1,421.05), awarded the beautiful Queen Esther banner. Little Rock Conference was awarded the banner for the largest proportionate increase.

A new handbook has been printed and a new constitution adopted, under one cover. It should be in the possession of every Conference Secretary. Write 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., for it.

We are glad to report the appointment of a College Secretary. We ask you to seek an opportunity for us to have the work of our Society presented in the schools and colleges of your State. Help us to enter the doors of opportunity when there are so many favoring circumstances. Many organizations have doubled their membership, and others have promised greater activities along this line. The gift of ten thousand dollars to the Building and Improvement Fund has not been completed; it has been pressed upon the hearts of the young people, and they are coming to realize the importance and privilege of each one taking a share in this blessed gift. We are urged to observe a dues-paying day in September; we will try to advance this thought in our department.

MRS. DAVID DAILEY, JR., *Secretary*.

HOME GUARDS AND MOTHERS' JEWELS.

Once again we have called the roll of Conferences for the Children's Work, and once again, alas! there are vacancies in the ranks. What shall we say, what shall we think, when no response comes from Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, North Ohio, Troy, Wisconsin, and half a score of others?

We have gained financially even with this imperfect showing. If the Conferences silent this year reported only as much as they did last year we should have several hundred dollars more to our credit.

It is not a pleasant task to be a prophet of disaster. One would rather hear only "good tidings of great joy," proclaiming that the

Child of the manger has been born again in His own blessed image to the mother-heart and sheltering arms of our beloved Society—born to bless the world with infinite tenderness and patient love; born to grow in wisdom as in stature, and to take upon Himself, in days to come, the burden that one day our hands will grow too weary to bear.

Is this the case? Are we nurturing in Home Mission faith the children that God has given us in our Homes, our Sunday-schools, our Junior Leagues, our Churches?

Let me make the question very practical. You who are devoted, faithful members of Auxiliaries, are your own children all enrolled as Mothers' Jewels or Home Guards? Do you see to it that they attend the meetings of these organizations and do their part therein? Do you, as members of the mothering Auxiliary, make sure that the leader is so wisely chosen and so well provided with all she needs to make the meetings interesting and profitable that your children want to attend the meetings? Do you often go yourself and show that you enjoy them?

Queen Esther girls, you who have "come to the kingdom for such a time as this," are you bringing your vigorous young lives, your consecrated love and service to this problem? Are you leading the children in Home Mission paths?

District and Conference officers, burdened with "the care of all the Churches," what are you doing for the Children's Work? What do you know, from personal knowledge, of its progress in your special fields?

And what, comrades all, will be the result if these things are not done? Ten, twenty years from now who will carry on the enterprise of the Woman's Home Missionary Society? Whence will come its trained workers, its Bureau Secretaries, its officers all along the line? What shall I prophesy? Failure, death for our work, or a jubilant acceptance of our responsibilities to care for its future as well as for its present?

"To-day we fashion destiny,
Our web of fate we spin."

The answer rests with no one person and with no one class of persons among us, but with each and all. What shall we say to the Master when He asks concerning the children?

The year has shown progress in the line of intelligent study of Home Mission topics. "Pioneers," with its attractive companion, "Home Mission Handicraft," has made fine preparation for the new Junior Study Course, the "Conquest Series." To these booklets, with their accompanying leaflets and pictures dealing with actual results of Home Mission Work, we invite earnest attention.

Nothing, we say, is too good for the children. It is ours to see that the blessed fellowship, the widened knowledge, the deepening of life-purposes that result from Home Mission work, are not crowded out of their lives.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR HOME GUARDS AND MOTHERS' JEWELS.

Conferences.	General Fund.	Students' Aid.	Other Funds.	Jun. League and S. S.	Total.
Baltimore	\$28 75	.....	.....	\$115 53	\$144 28
California	28 26	\$28 00	\$13 00	.....	69 26
Central Illinois	29 75	23 70	.....	.....	53 45
Central New York	125 29	52 95	.....	12 00	190 24
Central Ohio	135 04	123 40	44 43	302 87
Central Pennsylvania ...	83 45	72 00	23 38	27 00	205 83

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Conferences.	General Fund.	Students' Aid.	Other Funds.	Jun. Leag's and S. S.	Total.
Cincinnati	\$127 52	\$124 69	\$65 04	.....	\$317 25
Colorado	98 18	44 55	9 70	.....	152 43
Des Moines	55 73	104 73	52 90	5 00	218 36
Detroit	85 53	23 00	8 35	.....	116 88
East Ohio	126 50	297 96	.....	30 50	454 96
Erie	43 85	111 50	7 38	.....	162 73
Genesee	89 90	115 02	.....	11 00	215 92
Illinois	69 60	.....	.....	.....	69 60
Iowa .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kansas .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kentucky	23 05	.....	.....	.....	23 05
Little Rock	8 50	5 80	68 00	.....	82 30
Maine	10 95	37 50	.....	32 00	80 45
Michigan	90 79	83 44	30 00	.....	204 23
Minnesota .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Missouri	50	.....	.....	.....	50
Nebraska	30 40	51 06	18 25	90	100 61
Newark	99 00	193 70	3 37	10 00	306 07
New England	140 60	.....	.....	.....	140 60
New England Southern	22 90	32 49	.....	.....	55 39
New Hampshire	63 99	13 38	.....	7 00	84 37
New Jersey	77 74	47 00	50 49	.....	175 23
New York	47 70	106 00	66 00	.....	219 70
New York East	21 70	65 00	12 78	72 22	171 70
North Dakota	3 50	20 00	.....	.....	23 50
North Indiana .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	86 10
North Nebraska .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Ohio .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northern Minnesota	34 15	23 42	8 47	6 10	72 14
Northern New York	88 26	121 66	2 25	1 25	213 42
Northwest Indiana	67 70	90 54	.....	.....	158 24
Northwest Iowa	60 42	32 60	.....	.....	93 02
Northwest Kansas .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northwest Nebraska .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190 09
Oregon .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 52
Philadelphia	37 56	97 00	200 48	.....	335 04
Pittsburg	146 32	105 00	195 51	.....	446 83
Puget Sound	28 55	112 64	4 50	.....	145 69
Rock River	386 96	356 93	390 00	.....	1,133 89
St. John's River	2 00	.....	5 00	.....	7 00
St. Louis	23 23	14 40	30 00	.....	67 63
Southern California	207 39	25 50	141 33	8 70	382 92
Southern Illinois	25 11	40 85	.....	.....	65 96
Southwest Kansas	50 55	46 06	.....	.....	96 61
Upper Iowa .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109 53
Vermont	51 00	.....	.....	.....	51 00
West Virginia	7 15	26 00	97	.....	34 12
West Wisconsin	23 51	91 00	1 20	.....	115 71
Wilmington	64 40	44 25	60 00	.....	168 65
Wisconsin .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wyoming	177 52	276 78	22 95	28 00	505 25
Totals	\$3,250 45	\$3,281 50	\$1,535 73	\$367 20	\$8,856 12

Miss ALICE M. GUERNSEY, Secretary.

REPORT OF FIELD SECRETARY OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Serious illness in my family called me to Ohio at the close of the last Annual Meeting, and made it necessary to cancel all my dates for the winter. Up to September 1st I have been able to give only four and one-half months to the field work. Pittsburg and Iowa Conferences were each given five weeks, and the rest of the time was given to the Summer School of Missions at Boulder and the Western Student Conference at Cascade, Col., and brief itineraries in Colorado, Columbia River, and Puget Sound Conferences.

I traveled 6,782 miles, visited sixty-two Churches, attended two Conferences and eight District Conventions, and spoke at 161 meetings. These included five sub-District Meetings, twenty Auxiliaries, nineteen Circles and four Home Guard Meetings, seven Sunday-schools, six Epworth Leagues, two Young Women's Christian Associations, one chapel service, three Young People's Rallies, two Workers' Conferences, twenty-eight Sunday services, twenty-eight evening public meetings, and thirteen sessions of Mission Study Classes.

I secured 178 Auxiliary members, 152 Circle members, fourteen Home Guards, and fifty-one Jewels, also one adult life member and one junior life member.

Six Auxiliaries, eleven Circles, two Home Guards, and five Jewel Bands were organized and eighty-seven subscribers were secured.

I also visited eighteen Conference and District Secretaries of Young People's Work, wrote scores of letters concerning the work, especially the building fund to be raised by the young people, and prepared a handbook for the Young People's Department.

At Cascade I led a class of sixty college girls in the study of "The Frontier," gave the address on Home Missions, and represented the Society at the Methodist Rally.

At Boulder I had a class in "From Darkness to Light" and had charge of the Young Women's Conference. Many similar calls had to be refused because of conflicting dates.

Mrs. H. L. Hill represented the work most satisfactorily at the Silver Bay Student Conference, and Miss Winetta Stacks made her second visit to the Student Conference at Mountain Lake Park, Md., and was most enthusiastically welcomed as our representative.

It is with deep regret that we must lose for a time the service of the beloved Assistant Field Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Evans. In her fifteen months of service she proved herself a devoted, efficient, painstaking worker, and endeared herself to a multitude of young people. We trust she may soon be restored and ready to go on with her work.

Some of the Conferences have done nobly in bringing up their full share of the Building Fund. New Jersey was the first Conference to report an amount equivalent to a little *more* than fifty cents per member. The number and names of individual organizations reporting the full amount is too large to name each one. The splendid reports from these only prove that all might have done as well had they taken as their motto, "We Can and We Will." Will not Conference and District Secretaries of Young People see that *all* of the young people's organizations know exactly what is expected of them each year?

The matter of sending *duplicate* reports to the Conference Corresponding Secretary, when she reports to Mrs. Dailey, has been greatly neglected by the Conference Young People's Secretaries, hence there can

be no accurate report of the department of Young People's Work in our general reports. The new handbook makes this very clear; it is a vital point.

In the Children's Work the cry is still for "*leaders*," but where the Conference has a Secretary for the *Children's Work*, much better results are seen.

As I close this year's work I find myself where I began eight years ago—in the Puget Sound Conference. The memory of these years is precious indeed. God's goodness has been manifest through all the days; hundreds of hospitable homes have been opened; hundreds of Churches have welcomed me for the work's sake, and it has been sweet to serve such a Master in such a cause. "Lord, if I may, I'll serve another day."

(MISS) CARRIE BARGE.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

In presenting this our final report after eight years of service in this department, we are glad to record some substantial progress in the growth of public sentiment on the subject of tithing.

Our initial effort was to effect an organization in every Conference. We were only partially successful.

Fifty Conferences elected Secretaries and effected more or less complete organizations. Not all of which organized reported regularly to the General Secretary from year to year. The efforts made and the results accomplished by a number of the Conference Secretaries are worthy of all praise. We have given short excerpts from their reports in our Annual Report from year to year, trusting that their example might inspire others to like endeavor.

Miss Price, of the Southwest Kansas Conference, reports a Secretary in each of the six districts, and a local Secretary in sixteen of the 44 Auxiliaries; 509 tithers enrolled; 35 tithing sermons preached; 17,706 pages of literature distributed; a packet of tithing literature containing nine excellent booklets furnished each Auxiliary; tithing presented at all public meetings.

Mrs. Shepler, of the New England Conference, has sent out eighty personal letters on the subject of tithing; 20 tithing sermons promised; tithing presented at all Quarterly Meetings; 65 names enrolled.

Mrs. Harlan, of the North Indiana Conference, writes: "The Ministerial Conference has a worker in the field, and great interest is being aroused in the 'tithe and storehouse plan.' Tithers bands are organized in a number of the Churches. Clergymen are becoming more interested in the subject. Secretaries have been elected in every district and in most of the Auxiliaries. The subject has been presented at District Conference and League meetings. Many copies of 'Mary Christopher' are in circulation; 4,500 pages of literature have been distributed; 1,033 tithers enrolled; an increase of 427 over last year."

Mrs. Philpott, of the Central Ohio Conference, sent out 500 leaflets and 60 personal appeals. Nearly all reports say, "We have read 'Mary Christopher.'" Tithing was presented at three district meetings and at the Conference meeting; 244 tithers reported.

Mrs. Stratton writes: "Erie Conference has taken advanced ground. Am glad to report 527 tithers—an increase over last year. The districts are organized, and tithing has been agitated in the various district meetings. Much interest manifested."

Mrs. Hudson, of the Des Moines Conference, reports every district

organized and the Secretaries working; every pastor in the Conference was requested to preach a sermon on tithing; 4,570 pages of literature were given out, and 136 tithers reported.

Miss Fisk, of the Wyoming Conference, says: "Had felt I must have 1,000 tithers enrolled this year, but can only send 562. That is better than 69 the first year."

Mrs. Stanton, of the Kansas Conference, reports fourteen sermons preached on tithing; the subject presented at seven Auxiliaries and five district meetings; 279 cards sent out; 6,518 pages of literature distributed, and 1,425 tithers enrolled.

Such faithful effort as above recorded must make for growth in sentiment in favor of God's plan of finance.

A contributor to the *Christian Steward* gives this simple rule for estimating the tithe:

1. Tithe the living.
2. Tithe the net income after the living has been taken from the gross income.

The first is the universal rule, and applies to every one. The second is for those whose additional income is the result of profit.

Mrs. McCabe proclaimed the law of the tithe in the "Sacred Corner" in *Woman's Home Missions* for eighteen years. Miss Van Marter is sounding "the silver trumpet of the Lord's tenth," and will continue to sound it until "the Sword of the Lord and of Gideon" in the hands of the faithful three hundred will smite the Midianites of selfishness and win for the Lord His own.

"What hast thou in thy hand,
Steward? Some precious gold.
Give it to God; it will return
In wealth of joy untold."

(MRS.) MARGARET C. ALSPAUGH, *Secretary*.

TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT.

To the 118 women that have notified me during the year of their election as Temperance Secretaries of our Woman's Home Missionary Society, the following circular letter, with sample package of leaflets, has been sent:

Dear Comrades.—As leader in your Woman's Home Missionary Society in the battle against alcohol—this greatest enemy of world evangelization—yours is a wide opportunity for usefulness. To help create sentiment and arouse public conscience to duty. Co-operating when possible with Temperance Committee of Church, Sabbath-school, and Epworth League; in holding public meetings, lectures, sermons, temperance prayer-meetings, medal contests, and social meetings; teaching the children in Junior Leagues; providing public school teachers with temperance arrows, clippings, and dramatic stories ready for her use.

Campaigns well planned in advance secure results. As soldiers in this peaceful warfare let us make early request for a hearing for our cause on all our Woman's Home Missionary Society Conference, District, and Auxiliary programs. Then careful, definite preparation of convincing facts, items of interest, petitions, and work ready for Society's action, never occupying more time than has been allotted to us. Supplement talk with distribution of literature. The inclosed sample package is similar to the stock that I try to keep on hand for free distribution. If

you favor me with an order, kindly indicate how many you can use advantageously of the selections you make.

The many recent victories throughout the country encourage us to cry, "On to Washington!" to drive liquor-selling from that city and all places under governmental control. To complete these triumphs requires the passage of the Littlefield Bill to protect no-license territory from interstate commerce in intoxicating liquors. We need again to stand in defense of our anti-canteen law to continue protection of our soldier boys from liquor-selling in the army canteen. Petitions from your Woman's Home Missionary Society to your United States Senators and Congressmen, urging their influence for these measures, will greatly aid in this contest.

If, "in the name of our God we set up our banner" of total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the State, "we can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth us." Praying for us all Paul's equipment for service, Eph. 6: 10-19.

Yours,

"For the cause that needs assistance,

'Gainst the wrong that needs assistance."

Baum and Rebecca Streets, Pittsburg, Pa.

These indicate the aspirations of this Committee, but definite reports have not been secured in many instances. From returns received I estimate forty-eight Conferences have organized for this work, and five hundred Temperance Secretaries have been appointed. Possibly one million pages of temperance literature have been distributed. We have tried to fill all orders promptly. One year's subscription to the *White Ribbon Outlook* has been sent to all names on my list; also, the new edition of the book, "Intoxicants and Opium in All Lands." Subscriptions have been renewed to the *National Temperance Advocate*, *Crusader Monthly*, and *Youth's Temperance Banner*, sending these papers to thirty-five of the Homes and schools of our Society. It has been suggested that more temperance teaching be attempted in our various institutions; that a thoroughly equipped Field Secretary should deliver a course of scientific temperance instruction in them all. Will some one kindly provide the money to do this? Perhaps \$600 has been expended by this Committee. There are receipted bills amounting to \$535, these with small contributions expended for postage not counted as it came in small amounts, one dollar and less, and also money expended by others and amounts not reported to me.

To do this work as it ought to be done would require the co-operation of every member of our Society. In no other department is the need so great, and no other promises equal results in expenditure of effort and money.

(MRS.) CAROLINE McDOWELL,
Chairman of Committee.

REPORTS OF CONFERENCE CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

ATLANTA.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Atlanta Conference brings its seventh Annual Report this year. Our Annual Meeting will meet November 11th to 14th. The Corresponding Secretary anticipates attending the National Convention at Los Angeles, Cal.

During the year there has been some growth; especially have we grown in influence with the pastors and District Superintendents, who at present are anxious to assist us in securing funds towards our new building. The individual work, that we so much desire for the women, is of slow growth; still in our local Auxiliaries about Atlanta there are several who have paid membership of a fair representation. Our Young People are beginning to be more and more interested, and there are now three well organized Queen Esther Circles.

There has been with us during the year Miss Nellie Snider, of Lena, Ill., who is the General Organizer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and Miss Bessie Garrison, of Atlanta, Ga., who is a Special Organizer of the Society.

We bespeak a meeting of unusual interest for November, and trust some of the inspiration of our Los Angeles Convention will inspire our women to renewed interest.

(MISS) FLORA MITCHELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ARKANSAS.

Harrison Auxiliary reported at our last Annual Conference last January \$9 dues. Our own district—Little Rock—has sent supplies to needy preachers within its bounds to the amount of \$96. This is as far as I am able to report, though I feel comparatively sure that there are a number of other Churches which have sent supplies, but have not reported them. It seems so difficult to get many of our women to reply to our letters. We are greatly handicapped by the lack of women in our Church who are willing to take up this work. We hope to be able to have an Organizer visit many of our Churches in the next few months. Siloam Springs Auxiliary is doing good work, and I wish we had as good Auxiliaries all through our Conference. But so many of the charges are so poor that it will take some time yet before our hopes are realized. I wish we had a better report, but we have not lost hope, and believe that the time is more ripe for organizing our work in this Conference than it has been since we have been down here. Please pray for our work in Arkansas. (MRS.) MARY R. P. HOLLETT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

AUSTIN.

Austin Conference is looking up. Within the past year two new Auxiliaries have been organized—one at St. Paul's Church, Ft. Worth, with thirty members; the other at Mallalieu Church, Dallas, Texas, organized by Mrs. E. R. Ballard, with nine charter members, which was doubled at their first meeting, July 6th.

At Trinity Church, San Antonio, we have gained two new members, making a membership of eight. Our work has not been confined to the members of the Society. Last winter we packed a barrel to send to a minister and his family, and every woman in the Church became interested. The result was, when the barrel was sent off with warm new quilts, clothing, and groceries, a most grateful letter was received by the Society from the minister and a voucher inclosed, saying the barrel was worth to him \$75. There was great rejoicing in our little circle, for "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

Meetings are held once a month under our efficient President, Mrs. H. H. Eyman. Our Treasurer, Mrs. E. B. Alling, reports \$13.15 in cash and a voucher for \$75, making a total for the year's work for the Conference of \$88.15.

With the growth of the Society in other parts of the Conference, we are encouraged to press on, looking unto Him who giveth the increase.

MRS. C. R. CLARK, *Corresponding Secretary.*

BALTIMORE.

As the year closes we are able to report continued and active interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society of our Conference. On some lines of work we have advanced.

The Conference Anniversary was held in Broadway Methodist Episcopal Church, Baltimore, early in April. There was a large attendance, and it was an occasion of unusual interest. Bishop Hamilton favored us with an address and consecrated one of our deaconesses.

At the camp-meetings we have had with us Mrs. F. B. Chapman, Superintendent of Ritter Home, and Miss Josephine Corbin. They awakened great enthusiasm by their clear and earnest presentation of the work.

We have gained new members and contributed to the support of the Homes in our many great fields.

The deaconess work in Baltimore and Martinsburg continues to enlarge, and the travelers' aid work is highly appreciated at Union Station, Washington.

Rev. W. H. Wilder, D. D., President of our National Training-school, by his wise and kindly administration is winning all hearts. The school has the largest attendance of its history.

MRS. C. L. ROACH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CALIFORNIA.

The result of last year's work is manifest more in loyalty and self-sacrifice than in the increase of membership. Never before have I seen our women so interested in the various lines of work and so ready to respond to any calls that have been made.

In groups all over our Conference, sometimes in the large, enthusiastic gatherings, sometimes in bands of four or five, yet always doing

something to express their devoted love for the Master—preparing boxes for needy preachers, or sending supplies to the poor Indians; making clothes for the children in our Chinese and Japanese Homes; gladly putting up a few more jars of fruit and glasses of jelly that some one may be made happy; furnishing rooms in the Deaconess Home, helping to educate students or kindergarten children, sending Christmas stockings and boxes for the poor waifs of the city, giving entertainments to raise more money, holding Mite-box openings to count the money, and last but not least, gathering in Reading Circles, that they may be instructed more and more in the work. Surely our women have been *extremely busy*. The interest in all Home Missionary work has been deepened in the hearts of these women, and now, through their earnest endeavors, we look forward to a much larger membership next year.

Individual work counts, and we *can* "double our membership" if we *will*. As I have been throughout the Conference, this has been the cry, "Tell us more about the work and give us something definite to do." It is a pleasure to meet these women of our Church who have caught the spirit of the Master as He went about doing good.

The district meetings have been interesting as well as profitable. Mrs. Weaver, of Oregon, was a great help and inspiration when she was with us. Sacramento District has at last swung into line, and was organized August 30th with a fine corps of officers.

The Young People's Work has not grown as we wish, but we are striving that our Auxiliaries shall not be childless, for we need the Queen Esther Circles, the Home Guards, and the Mothers' Jewels everywhere.

Our different Bureaus have had a great year's work, as their reports will show. (See Chinese, Japanese, and Deaconess reports.) They are planning greater things for the future. More literature has been distributed than ever before, which will in great measure account for the increased interest. August 23d a very eventful meeting was held at the Methodist Depository to dedicate a room for the use of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the headquarters for all our literature.

Mrs. Otis Gibson (the mother of missions on the Pacific Coast) was the guest of honor. Bishop Hughes gave a most inspiring address. Mrs. Goodman, of Cincinnati, and Miss Neiderheiser, of Kansas City, were present and greatly encouraged us. Our prospect for the coming year is more hopeful than ever before. We have now forty-five Auxiliaries, with twelve hundred and fifty members, and three hundred and fifty-nine in Queen Esther Circles; have raised more money than ever before, and in our Mite-box report must say to Central Church, San Francisco, "Many others have done well, but thou excellest them all," with a membership of twenty-eight. They have in circulation one hundred and ten mite-boxes. Our motto for the coming year is, "Give us something to do; make us strong to do it."

MRS. E. R. WILLIS, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS.

The past year in Central Illinois Conference has been one of the best, with an increase along all lines and the receipts larger than the preceding year, though our ideal is not yet realized until every woman of our beloved Conference is enrolled as members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Valuable services have been rendered by Miss Snider.

Our pledges for the new year have been increased, and we take up the work with renewed consecration, and a greater desire to do more for Him whom we serve.

MRS. I. M. EASTMAN, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CENTRAL MISSOURI.

Our work is steadily advancing along some lines. The Auxiliaries are increasing, and the Young People's and Children's Work is growing also.

More literature is used, and *Woman's Home Missions* has a larger subscription list than ever before.

The Treasurer's report shows a good per cent of increase over the previous year, and we are quietly but surely gaining ground in Home Missionary work.

The Conference meeting in Fayette last March was well attended, the ministers showing more interest by attending the anniversary service in larger number than ever before.

Our deaconess, Miss Joiner, who works so faithfully in Union Memorial in St. Louis, is silently wielding an influence over the young people which will be like the bread cast upon the water to be gathered many days hence.

We pray for faithful and courageous leaders for the love of Christ.

MRS. A. A. HENLEY, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CENTRAL NEW YORK.

We look over the record of the past year with no little gratitude because of the increase in membership, the realization of strength to overcome difficulties, and consciousness that our workers have done the best they know how.

Our pledges are all met, and we have raised nearly five hundred dollars (\$500) in excess of the amount pledged at the Philadelphia meeting. There has been an increase in subscriptions to *Home Missions*. A few Auxiliaries are entitled to a place on the "Honor Roll" for numbers of the paper taken equaling membership. Several Auxiliaries have organizations in all branches of the work, though we still have some that are childless. A few of our Auxiliaries have not only been "keeping step," but in point of membership stepping a little ahead.

We have had effective help through our field workers, Mrs. H. L. Hill, Miss Mary A. Mahon, and Mrs. N. W. Bass, whom we thoroughly appreciate and would gladly welcome them to our Conference at any time.

We have had our blessings and our sorrows. In the early year we were pained by the death of the District President, Mrs. Nottingham, of Cazenovia District, who was unexpectedly called to her coronation from the midst of her labors. In accordance with the wish expressed by her a few days before her death, a room has been named in her memory at the Rebecca McClesky Home, and the furnishing of the room has been given by the district over which she presided.

A large interest centers around the rebuilding of Peck Home at New Orleans, and we expect to rise to our privilege as we include *that* in our

pledges toward the building and improvement fund. We are planning for greater things with a "lively hope" to accomplish the same the coming year.

MRS. W. H. PECK, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CENTRAL OHIO.

We are reminded that it is time to write our annual report, so we pause and look back over the year's work, that we may bring in the gleanings from the field. We began the year with many plans and with the assurance that God was with us in the forwarding of His kingdom in this fair land. It is also true that we have not been able to carry out all the plans, for our Heavenly Father had better things for us and the work. We are happy in the knowledge of an advancement along all lines in Central Ohio Conference, and in the financial increase over last year's pledges; our four thousand members—young people and children—have made this possible.

With the division of the Young People's and Children's Work last year and a Secretary elected for each department, we take this opportunity to give them special mention for their excellent year's work and their increase in members and finances.

Each department of our work has been upon the hearts of conscientious leaders, and the work has been pushed with loving hands.

The annual meeting, held in Lima, Ohio, in May, was a royal feast from the opening of the pre-Convention for Young People and Children to the close of the program. Two excellent addresses were given by Dr. Frederick H. Wright and Mrs. Susie Aiken Winold in the evening session.

District meetings full of enthusiasm have been held in each district.

The work of our beloved Society has been presented in District Conferences in each District Superintendent's domain.

Twenty-one Reading Circles, with four hundred and twenty-two readers, gives us cause for rejoicing in the increased interest of the study of Home Missions.

Another source of joy is in the almost universal use of the Concert Lessons, arranged in a Program Calendar by a committee for the monthly meetings for the year.

During the year two of our faithful workers, one a member of this Conference Board—Mrs. L. J. Turley—and Mrs. Mary Pearce, at one time a valued District Secretary, have passed from their labors to gain their reward from our Father in heaven. As our tried and true workers lay down their burden and join the redeemed we are reminded of the fleeting days and our dependence for wisdom and guidance upon the One who has a watchful eye over all we do.

May we prove faithful to work intrusted to us for the coming year is the prayer of your humble servant.

MRS. D. M. BAILEY, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.

Central Pennsylvania Conference has just closed its Silver Anniversary year, and what wonderful things God has done for us in those twenty-five years!

We have found so many ways and plans "waiting the handmaidens of the Lord;" our love and help has reached the Southland, far-off Alaska,

the immigrants coming in by both the Atlantic and the Pacific, the Indian and the Spanish-speaking people, and to spread the true light in places where the Mormon faith holds sway.

But these are as "Foreign Fields" compared to the work at our very doors—for our outstretched hands come in actual contact with the 250,000 foreigners in Central Pennsylvania, who so far have been the charge of our Conference alone.

Five new Auxiliaries were organized, and increase of membership reported by others. The increase in interest and numbers in Young People's Work has been most gratifying. Eleven new Queen Esther Circles, six Bands of Home Guards, and six Companies of Mothers' Jewels have been added to our number.

The four organized districts held conventions in the spring. Williamsport District held a Woman's Home Missionary day in September. Harrisburg has organized a City Union, which will meet quarterly. Danville District held meetings at two camp meetings.

Our Conference Convention at Mt. Carmel, in November, 1908, seems too remote to report the many good things, but the results have been in evidence throughout the year.

Mrs. I. D. Jones, of Cincinnati, gave an excellent address at our Conference Anniversary in March. We were also honored by the presence and assistance of Mrs. John W. Hamilton.

Helpful addresses were given at District meetings by Mrs. C. E. Mogg, of Wyoming Conference; Miss Anna B. Slate and Miss Jennie Geer, returned missionaries from Japan, and Miss Emma Trescott, of Hazelton Mission.

All the term deaconess implies can be applied to our five faithful workers. Among the foreigners, house-to-house visitation, caring for the sick, ministering to the needy, work in kindergartens, Sunday-schools, and sewing schools; instructions, domestic, physical, scientific, musical, theological, and legal—they are indeed all things to all peoples.

Having no "Home" within our Conference, a score of homeless little waifs have been placed in institutional schools and Homes, and others assisted in securing educational advantages by these faithful workers.

In our reports from year to year we have said, "We must have help in this gigantic work of caring for the thousands of foreigners in our midst." The need is more imperative to-day than ever—thirty-two nationalities, bringing with them ignorance, superstition, and vice to menace the civil and religious welfare of the old Keystone State and our fair land.

We must have a "Permanent Home" in the near future or the work will be retarded greatly.

The supply work, in charge of Mrs. Geo. Leidy, deserves special mention, as does also the work of the Mite-box Secretary, Miss Ray W. Ruby, and Reading Circles, under the care of Mrs. Edgar R. Heckman.

An increase of over \$500 to General Society shows increase in membership dues. All pledges are more than met, and \$400 in the Building Fund. We are planning and praying to double our membership by the end of 1910.

MRS. BYRON E. STAPLES, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CENTRAL SWEDISH.

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped."—1 Sam. 7:12.

We do want to thank God for the part that the Home Missionary Auxiliaries of the Central Swedish Conference have been permitted to do during this past year, for, after all, is it not due to Divine inspiration that every act of kindness is conceived in the hearts of mankind?

We are thankful for that which has been done, but surely as we look back we wish that more had been accomplished. Therefore we want to make this heartfelt wish so dwell with us that it will spur us on to aims greater than we now dare hope for. The Master said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." These words are cheer and great reward for each little deed done in His name.

We have fifteen Auxiliaries, with a total membership of 278. At our annual meeting at Desplaines Camp Grounds last month (July) great interest and enthusiasm was shown, encouraging reports given, and we were determined to go home to our respective Auxiliaries, to put shoulder to shoulder, and go forward, each member trying to win one more, and each and every one resolving to lend a helping hand wherever and whenever an opportunity is given.

God bless the Home Missionary Work all over our dear land!

(MRS.) ESTHER BERGGREN, *Corresponding Secretary*.

CINCINNATI.

As we review the work of the past year in the Cincinnati Conference, we rejoice in the knowledge of work well done. In response to the call of our leaders we have undertaken to double our membership, and a very gratifying increase is already reported. In the Milford District seven new societies have been organized, while old ones have taken on new zeal and enthusiasm, as the result of the most excellent work of Mrs. H. L. Hill, who spent three weeks visiting the charges in the district.

The work at Glenn Home, Cincinnati, the special charge of our Conference, proves each year the need and value of work among the neglected little ones of the city. Under the leadership of Mrs. I. D. Jones, Chairman, the seven regular workers and some fifteen or more assistants are doing heroic service in kindergarten, sewing-schools, Sunday-schools and Boys' Club, prayer-meetings and Mothers' Meetings. One thousand and twenty-four young people were reached by the various classes and organizations connected with the Home.

This year we celebrate our Silver Anniversary as a Conference Society, and we hope to make it the best year in the history of the Society.

MRS. C. F. THIRKIELD, *Corresponding Secretary*.

COLORADO.

Colorado Conference has been moving upward along all lines the past year. We sing the doxology over the Silver Offering being all paid. A small amount has been raised on the Building and Improvement Fund; a much larger amount contributed for schools, homes, and scholarships than any previous year—some six hundred dollars.

Our Queen Esther Circles have doubled the amount of money they have contributed, and we announce new Circles. We have 1,391 members in Auxiliaries and 377 in Circles, 360 Jewels, and 69 in Home Guards.

Our Colorado Deaconess Hospital, at Colorado Springs, is an assured fact, work having begun on it the past month. We have already expended on it some \$34,000.

Our Secretary of Supplies distributed 3,300 garments and new material and cash to the amount of \$2,084.28.

Our Methodist women again stood second in representation at the Summer School of Missions at Boulder, where our Miss Barge was one of the instructors, and carried inspiration and enjoyment.

Our Deaconess Home is a bee-hive of industry and a blessing owned of God wherever one of our deaconesses has worked. A rare spirit of love and good works pervades. Miss Manning is our cherished, self-sacrificing, and efficient Superintendent.

Colorado Conference is favored in having for so many years its devoted President, Mrs. A. C. Peck, who is a host in herself, and our faithful treasurer, Mrs. D. K. Lee.

We are planning an advance along all lines.

In His name and for love of the work.

MRS. H. E. WARNER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

COLUMBIA RIVER.

While our hopes for the advancement of our work in our Conference have not been realized, yet we do not come as a "vanquished throng, but rather with the victor's song."

Our work is now thoroughly organized, and much good work is being done along all lines. Too much can not be said of the efficient work of our Supply Secretary, who again has charge of the department.

We held our convention at the time of Annual Conference, and it was our very best. We had with us that splendid woman, Miss Carrie Barge, who gave our anniversary address, in which great interest was manifested, and all who heard her received a new inspiration.

We feel that the coming of the National officers to Spokane, *en route* to Los Angeles, will be very helpful and lend an impetus to the work in our Conference.

We now have eleven Auxiliaries, with a membership of 296, four Queen Esther Circles, and two Home Guards. We regret very much to have lost four Auxiliaries the past year. One new one, and a very flourishing one, was organized at Chelau by Sister Clulo. This Auxiliary has one life member.

But with our splendid convention and the inspiration and encouragement received there, we feel hopeful for the work in the Columbia River Conference.

The words of the Lord to Joshua come to us as He spoke to the new leader, which we are in very truth, "Be strong and of good courage, for I will be with thee whithersoever thou goest."

(MRS.) NINA G. BLAKE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

DELAWARE.

The Delaware Conference, we are glad to say, is making progress along several lines. We are at work trying to double our membership and increase our subscription lists to the papers.

During the year we have organized five Auxiliaries, three Queen Esther Circles, three companies of Home Guards, and three bands of Mothers' Jewels.

The annual and quarterly meetings grow more interesting and helpful each year.

Mrs. S. B. Holmes, of the Washington Conference, was one of the

speakers at our last annual meeting, and left with us many practical, inspiring thoughts.

Our Conference Society was exceedingly fortunate in having the annual meeting of the Board of Managers take place in Philadelphia, as many of our women were permitted to attend its sessions. We shall be glad when the meeting comes our way again.

The Lord has been our help in the past, and it is He on whom we shall rely for success in the future. May God bless the good work everywhere!

MRS. L. A. PULLETT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

DES MOINES.

A study of the statistical record of the past year shows an increase in every department of our work. Nine new Auxiliaries have been organized. Those that have labored for these results were Miss Lake and the Japanese baby, Miss Davis and the Chinese children, Mrs. H. L. Hill, Mrs. M. Libby Allen, Miss Evans, Mrs. Nasmyth, the workers from our Home and school, and the Conference officers. We are determined that the people shall know of the work of our Society.

Our Young People's work is better systematized than ever before, and they are a great help in the Student Aid work.

Our motto for several years has been, gain members and help the Building Fund. We have more than doubled our membership in the last three years. To double this increase will be the largest task we have ever undertaken, but we will do our best. Our Conference will do her share for the Building Fund.

Our total receipts this year will be about \$19,000. The largest part of this increase was given for the additional room we were obliged to have for our Iowa Bible Training-school. The work of this school and the Deaconess Home will be reported by the Deaconess Bureau Secretary, but I want to speak a word of appreciation of the labors of the Principal, Mrs. Mabel Hilbish, and the Superintendent, Miss Lulu McMillen. The wonderful growth of the work would not have been possible but for their leadership.

We have a Conference meeting in November, district meetings in the spring, and Executive Board meetings quarterly.

Our Conference Anniversary meeting was an inspiring occasion. Dr. Ward Platt, of Philadelphia, gave the principal address. The consecration of eleven of our own deaconesses by Bishop Berry, on Sabbath, was a most impressive service.

The real success of the work depends upon the faithful women of the Auxiliaries, and each year the number increases. Many of our pastors' wives organize wherever they make their home. When I think of these busy women of the Conference, districts, and the Auxiliaries I am reminded of the reply of a great statesman. He was asked how he accomplished so much, and he answered, "By using the margins of time." And that is the way the work of the Woman's Missionary Societies is mostly accomplished, by women with home duties giving the spare moments, "redeeming the time," ever on the watch that no opportunity may be lost to do something "in His name."

This kind of women make the reports from our Conference possible. May their number increase!

"And still beyond our household duties reaching,
 Stretch forth a helping hand;
 So many stand in need of loving comfort
 All over this wide land;
 Perchance some soul you aid to-day, to-morrow
 May with angels sing;
 Some one may go straight from your earthly table
 To banquet with the King.

MRS. A. E. GRIFFITH, *Secretary.*

DETROIT.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Detroit Conference records the most successful year in the history of its regular work.

Aside from special occasions like the silver anniversary, the income this year is far beyond any preceding. All our pledges have been paid, and the amount sent to the General Treasurer will show an increase of \$2,822 over last year. Over thirty-five Homes and schools have been helped during the year.

The amount received from mite-boxes is a gain of \$66.09. We owe much to Mrs. Earle for her great diligence in the management of the mite-boxes resulting in this increase.

The total number of subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* is 1,662 and to the children's paper 754, and Mrs. North is enthusiastic in her endeavor to make a substantial increase in subscribers each year.

A large amount of supplies have been distributed on our frontier districts, and all the various departments show progress. There are twenty-one Reading Circles, with 264 members, and 254 readers of our text-book, making a total of 518.

We have in our Auxiliary membership a gain of 450. Six new Auxiliaries have been organized, and all the officers, both Conference and District, have worked faithfully and constantly in the discharge of their several duties.

The Queen Esther Circles remain about the same as last year. Six new Circles have been organized, but others have become inactive.

At our annual meeting last fall the Young People's work was divided, and we hope that both departments will prosper under more direct supervision.

Last May we had the privilege of having with us Mrs. M. E. Roberts for one month. Mrs. Roberts attended the district meetings, giving addresses, speaking two and three times each Sabbath, and every evening but one during the week. Words of praise and admiration for her efficient work were received from all the places she visited, and much good has resulted from her being among us.

MRS. WILLIAM DAWE,
Corresponding Secretary.

EAST MAINE.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in this Conference moves slowly, but there are here and there faithful souls who, having heard the call of America for Christ, can not shut their ears from hearing or their hearts from loving the work of this Society. So in the Auxiliaries they have worked and prayed and sacrificed gladly,

that they might have even a small share in this work for Christ in our beautiful land.

Miss Mary Mahon spoke at the Conference Anniversary and at several places throughout the Conference, always to the blessing and profit of her hearers. We have not during the year done what we would, possibly even we have not done what we could, but results are not always commensurate with the efforts put forth.

MRS. ROBERTA A. LUCE.

EAST OHIO.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is steadily winning way and gaining a larger place in the hearts of the people of this Conference.

Several new organizations were effected during the year and a gratifying increase in membership reported by many Auxiliaries.

The new Conference Secretary of Young People is rapidly becoming familiar with her larger work, and has definite plans for its enlargement during the year. The district meetings have all been well attended and of unusual interest, showing more method, better organization, and larger responsibility.

The sentiment is growing in favor of using our Thank-offering for salaries of our missionaries only. This surely is a step forward and in the right direction. Mrs. A. D. Elder spent the month of June with us, inspiring all with her enthusiasm.

This year we are observing our own twenty-fifth anniversary, and for special work have furnished a Memorial Library at our Rebecca McCleskey Home. We expect to continue our interest in this room, adding from time to time new books and keeping our table supplied with current literature. In reviewing the year's work we feel we can report progress in nearly all lines of work, which encourages us to go forward into the new year with a larger consecration and with a determination to make it the most fruitful year of service.

MRS. M. H. NASON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

EAST TENNESSEE.

Four new Auxiliaries have been organized: Knoxville, Eastport, Jefferson City, and Bristol. I attended two District Ministerial Conferences. I planned for a Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society meeting at Mountain City, but no delegates appeared. I planned for another Conference meeting at our Industrial Home, and am happy to report that we had a fine meeting. Some Auxiliaries sent delegates, some sent written reports, some *never replied to my letters either time.*

We have to do the best we can, though it is not exactly according to the Constitution. For instance, with so few Conference delegates present, I had three of my oldest girls attend the session as delegates from three Auxiliaries that had not sent delegates. This "imaginary attendance" gave us enough delegates to elect Conference officers. An *intelligent* lot of officers were elected. Women intensely interested were elected. Mrs. Rachel Boyd, the great-grandmother of one of my girls, was elected Secretary of Temperance Work. She is eighty-seven and such a spiritual blessing to us.

This Conference had never known of "Pledges" or "Scholarship," they have only known about "Dues." So I explained "Pledges for Schol-

arship," and this old lady said: "My Auxiliary will give \$10, I know, when I go back and tell them about this meeting. If they will not, I will give it myself."

Another Auxiliary pledged \$10, and some others will report after they explain to their members.

Conference membership	85
Conference subscribers to <i>Home Missions</i>	10
Money given in at one meeting	\$48 25
Money previously sent to General Treasurer	16 75

(MISS) LOUELLA JOHNSON.

ERIE.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has had the loving, loyal support of a large number of women and young people in our Conference during the year. Many of the letters received have in them the thought of better, truer service.

We record a nice gain in membership, which is only a beginning of our plan for a doubled membership in two years. We believe the watchword, "We can if we will," and some of us are working toward the realization of the altered thought, "We can, and we will." The subscription-list for *Woman's Home Missions* moves up, and we are very near the one-thousand mark. We have new subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*, and think we have advanced, but if so our June report figures misrepresent. We think it is the figures we did *not* get that are responsible for the misrepresentation. The Department of Temperance has had attention, and we recognize especially the definite, frequent messages and the useful supplies from Mrs. McDowell, our faithful and generous Chairman of this Committee.

Cash receipts are in excess of last year, and cash supplies are \$344 more than last year. Supplies were sent to thirteen Homes and Schools and fourteen families. The amount given to Student Aid is gratifying, as showing a growing readiness to help our needy, worthy young people.

Mrs. Hallie Hill spent several weeks with us, giving excellent service. Recognition was given this work on the program of two District Conferences, which is encouraging.

At one of our district meetings eight ministers were present, and all gave messages of cheer.

The resignation of Mrs. R. N. Stubbs as Conference President was received with much regret at Conference Board Meeting. Mrs. C. H. Mottier is her successor.

The District Secretary, whose faithful work means so much toward the measure of success attained, being asked, "What do you consider the most encouraging feature of our work the past year?" gives several answers—"The way the Auxiliaries reported," "Mothers' Jewels are having more attention," "Increase in membership," "More members than last year and a greater interest in all Auxiliaries," "Increase of interest among young people and the way in which money is always raised when the need is made known."

This is a cheering picture, and we have faith that every line in it will be made more prominent this year than the last, and that others will be added.

In and over all has been our Heavenly Father's guiding hand, blessing and causing the workers to be a blessing to others.

(MISS) ANNA M. POPPINO, *Corresponding Secretary*.

GENESEE.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has gone steadily forward in Genesee Conference during the last year. In some respects it has been the best year since our organization in 1886. Not because so much more money has been raised (although there is a fine increase in that over last year), but because of growing interest in the general work of the Society, which is shown by a larger amount of money raised for special work, and this money has been appropriated to a larger number of the different departments of work carried on by our Society.

While we rejoice in the increased interest shown in the work, we deeply regret we can not report in Auxiliaries and members a large increase. There have been sixty-eight new Auxiliary members and forty-eight new Circle members added. The thousand-mark for *Children's Home Missions* has been reached, and 785 copies of *Woman's Home Missions* are taken.

We have sent supplies to ministers on the frontier, to Industrial Homes and Schools, and very many dollars in cash has gone into the barrels in the form of new supplies.

Our Conference Deaconess Home, located in Buffalo, N. Y., has had the most prosperous year in its history. Only the "record" on high can give the report of the work done by the faithful "King's Daughters" of this Home and its far-reaching influence. Many Churches have had deaconess service, some continuously, during the year. The work is to be enlarged, and with increased working force the outlook for the coming year is most encouraging.

Miss Mahon won for the Society many friends during her visit with us, and endeared herself to a nearness of heart seldom given to any one. We are planning for her return early in the spring.

Our District Secretaries have labored incessantly and untiringly, and to them are due the success of the year, for without their hearty co-operation we should have suffered loss. Because of continued illness in their homes, Mrs. Chalmers, of Buffalo District; Mrs. A. D. Bliss, of Central District, and Mrs. W. H. Smith, of Olean District, have tendered their resignations, and very reluctantly were they accepted. Earnest, faithful, and accurate workers, their works will live, though they labor not at present with us.

Souls are being saved, Christian character is being built, children are being reared in the fear and admonition of the Lord, and a deeper interest is being created in the Italian Mission in Rochester, N. Y.

The services on the Sabbath are largely attended by the women, and this is a most important "vantage ground," giving entrance to their homes and to the homes of their friends and neighbors. Our rooms are entirely inadequate for our numbers, but we are quietly and persistently holding forth and proclaiming the gospel in teaching night school, sewing classes, Bible study, and visitation. There has been a lack of teaching force, the only regular teachers being Rev. David Acquerone, missionary and the Superintendent. This lack has been supplied in the appointing of Jeannette R. Brown, a graduate of Rust Hall, who will take full charge of the kindergarten.

We close this with devout gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the success which has attended the work of our Society during the year, and with an earnest prayer that still better work may be done during the year upon which we have now entered.

MRS. DANIEL SMITH, *Corresponding Secretary*.

HOLSTON.

Another year has come and gone with its privileges of service and opportunities for helpfulness. The record is made and the books are closed. The results of the year's work are not what we desired and hoped for and aimed at, but we trust much good seed has been sown that will bring forth a thousand-fold in the near future.

Several new organizations have been effected during the year, with additional members to all those already organized. Our subscription lists to *Woman's Home Missions* and to *Children's Home Missions* have been increased.

We had Miss Nellie Snider with us a month last spring. While the immediate results of her earnest, faithful work were not what we hoped for, yet we feel Home Mission work has received new impetus, that deeper interest has been awakened, and greater zeal aroused, which will result in material benefit to Holston Conference.

We now have one district organized and others may soon be, and we expect the district officers to supplement the work of the Conference officers to the advancement of the work in the Conference.

We will hold our anniversary meeting during the Ministerial Conference, and are happy in having secured Mrs. Bishop Anderson to make the address.

We are not discouraged, but hopeful, and expect to have more facts to report at the end of another year.

MRS. J. M. PLYLEY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ILLINOIS.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Illinois Conference during the year just closed has been very encouraging. There has been an advance in nearly every department, in some not as great as in others, yet in all there has been a certain per cent increase. We have had in our Conference during the year two National workers, Miss Evans, who very effectively and tactfully helped our Queen Esther Circles in their work, and Mrs. H. L. Hill, who rendered very efficient assistance at our district meetings and in organizing.

Our Conference President, Mrs. H. L. Haywood, visited nearly all our Ministerial Associations in the spring and presented the work of our organization in such a tactful and forceful manner that she won many friends for our Society from among the ministers.

Last year with fear and trembling we pledged more largely than ever before, yet our trusty Treasurer has reported all pledges met and a small amount left in the treasury.

Our Supply Secretary reports an increase in her department of \$628.63 in cash and new garments and of eighty-six second-hand garments, and 140 books. We have an increase in membership this year of 560.

At our district meeting held in May our district, with one exception, voted to increase their pledge for the coming year at least twenty-five per cent. Some of them made a larger increase. In some of the districts this increase is to go to the Building and Improvement Fund, while in others it is to go to the regular fields of work. We are making an effort to double our membership, and while we may not reach that mark, we expect to make a substantial growth during the year. The interest in the work among our young people is very encouraging.

The Cunningham Orphanage, located in our Conference, has had a successful year. We have cared for as many children as our room would accommodate.

We have made some much needed and substantial improvements in the Home, and the place is in a better condition than it ever was before.

With the past for an example and the future for an inspiration, feeling confident of the presence and support of the Almighty, Illinois Conference expects to do more and attain greater results in the work of our Society this year.

MRS. S. A. BULLARD,
Corresponding Secretary.

INDIANA.

During the year Indiana Conference has raised almost \$5,000. Pledges were mostly paid. Silver offering not paid, but we are still giving to that fund, and hope by next year to complete it.

Our membership in all shows a gain of 837 members the past year. We have had organized this year five Auxiliaries, three Circles, and five Jewel Bands. We are trying to double our membership, our Conference Board giving flags for paying Silver offering or doubling membership; red, white, and blue streamers for doubling membership; red streamers for trebling membership; blue streamers for quadrupling membership, and white streamers for paying Building and Improvement Fund. We have given out twenty-four flags and seven streamers. After our Conference meeting, September 1st and 2d, we expect to give out more, as we will have a "flag display" there.

Mrs. J. U. Park, Mite-box Secretary, reports \$140 increase over last year. She has succeeded in getting three old Auxiliaries to take mite-boxes that had never been willing to take them before.

We have been able to increase our *Home Missions* to 669 subscribers.

Sorry our Ministerial Conference Anniversary comes too late to report here, but we know it will be a success, as Dr. Albert Hurlstone will make the address.

Our Supply Secretary, Mrs. H. L. Sperry, reports over \$1,000 cash for new goods, besides many second-hand articles and books.

Mrs. C. Behymer, Chairman of our Deaconess Board, will place one girl at Washington (D. C.) Training-school and one at Kansas City Training-school. Two girls go back for their second year at Kansas City Training-school. We still have our two city deaconesses, Miss Morris and Miss Conner. Their work has consisted in assisting the pastors, Italian Schools, Italian Kindergarten, Travelers' Aid, Mission Sunday-school, with the help of Irvington Queen Esthers, Hospital Work, and house-to-house visitation and looking after the wants of the needy.

MRS. ALFRED STRATFORD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

IOWA.

We are glad to report the continued prosperity of Woman's Home Missionary Society of Iowa Conference. While we have not accomplished all we hoped to do, yet there has been a notable increase in membership and in the amount of money raised. All our pledges were paid. We raised \$820 more than we did last year.

Miss Carrie Barge was with us during May, and did excellent work. As a result of her work in the Conference all the Auxiliaries are strength-

ened, and with greater knowledge and more definite purpose are beginning the work of this year with zeal and enthusiasm. We are looking forward to better and greater things, believing that God's continual blessing will be with us. (Mrs.) NAOMI DAY, *Corresponding Secretary*.

KANSAS.

Again we bring you greetings from our Conference.

The total receipts for the year are \$3,529.88. Seven years ago total receipts were only \$1,290.06. Therefore we are rejoicing.

We have an ever-increasing interest and enthusiasm in our Building Fund. The doubling of membership is being agitated, and we expect this year to meet the required number.

Our Conference Convention was held at Olathe, Kan., last November, with a good program, greatly strengthened by the presence of Miss Corbin, who cheered us on our way. Reports were encouraging, and the work being done by our district officers deserves especial mention.

In April five District Conventions were held, and our hearts were made to rejoice, not only by the attendance, which surpassed anything formerly, but the reports from our splendid Auxiliaries and strong programs sent each of us home rejoicing.

At Council Grove, Frankfort, Hiawatha, Kansas City, and Topeka the stereopticon lecture on the general work, prepared by the Conference Corresponding Secretary, was given to large audiences. This lecture has also been given in many other charges in our Conference, which, we trust, has helped to fasten the work in the minds of our Methodism. Our work among the Indians is being carried on most satisfactorily by the new workers. See report for "Pottawatomies."

All pledges made at Philadelphia were paid in full, and we anticipate larger things for the future.

Yours in the work for the love of it.

(Mrs.) CARRIE E. COPE, *Corresponding Secretary*.

KENTUCKY.

The years of our existence as a Conference Society and what we have accomplished appears so small in comparison with others as to seem not worth mentioning, but reflecting on our mercies, we take courage and press forward.

Some of our Auxiliaries have been actively engaged in trying to double the membership, while others are doing more for the Building and Improvement Fund. There is a great improvement in understanding the work, its needs and methods. Each year we raise more money than is reported by pledges, because faith is not strong enough to pledge in time for the Annual Meeting.

Our Conference Society is entertained at Newport this year, soon after the Los Angeles Meeting, so that we may benefit by the inspiration of those near by who were so fortunate as to attend.

An invitation is to be sent out to all the Churches in the Kentucky Conference, urging that a representative attend the meeting at Newport.

We have a new interest in helping Miss Hudson, from Fort Bend, Ky., to secure training as a deaconess in the National Training-school at Washington. (Miss) JULIA H. SHAW, *Corresponding Secretary*.

LEXINGTON.

As we review the work of the past year of the Lexington Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, we are glad to say that God has blessed His work and workers. We see so much that needs to be done along all lines and realize the importance of the work more and more each succeeding year.

We can report an increase in knowledge and membership and a small increase financially. Our growth has been slow—all real growths are slow—but we feel that our women are preparing themselves for a great future, and we will not rest until we have an Auxiliary organized and at work in every Church in our Conference. Our Annual Meeting, held at Wiley Chapel, Springfield, Ohio, last June, filled our workers with new inspiration for greater service. Our pastors are becoming more and more interested in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and we are looking forward for larger results. Reports show a membership of 181 adults and seventy young people.

Total raised during year, \$336.85. We have one life member, Mrs. M. C. B. Mason, and at our Annual Meeting a life membership was pledged for our former President, Mrs. J. T. Leggett.

Special attention will be given the Colored Deaconess Work and the Building and Improvement Fund this year. We carefully fold away the records that have been kept so faithfully by our dear, consecrated workers, and returning thanks for the blessings of the Father upon our achievements of the past, we take up the work of another year with deeper consecration and a sincere desire to do more for love of Christ and in His name.

MRS. JAMES P. MONROE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LITTLE ROCK.

We regret our meager report and the desired progress in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society as was planned in the beginning of the last year. Sickness in my family prevented me visiting the District Conferences and many of the charges, but I succeeded in keeping in correspondence with all the officers. I have visited many homes in communities, towns, and cities, holding meetings to recruit and encourage the discouraged. The Cotton Plant Auxiliary has held meetings six and eight miles in the country on their monthly meeting days, and the President has gone twenty-four miles from her home in a day to organize and have the people know about this great work. The sisters of Cotton Plant Auxiliary rejoice when the first Monday of the month comes, so as to enjoy the reading from *Woman's Home Missions*, Annual Report, and leaflets.

In a meeting a woman said: "Dear sisters, I have been watching your good work. I come to join you, because I believe you do me good. Help me to be saved."

I have received, answered, and sent out many letters, literature, and annual reports to pastors, Auxiliaries, and officers of the work.

I read an instructive paper in connection with my report in the Annual Conference held at Clow in January.

We enter upon the new year with efforts to organize new Auxiliaries, pay all pledges, double the membership, and \$1 from each member. "We can if we will."

The first quarter ends with a very encouraging report. Our decrease last year in membership was owing to the fact that the officials thought

it wise to drop all names who were not paid members, hence a better foundation has been laid for better Auxiliaries, more systematic reports and work.

To the Young People's Secretary, Mrs. G. T. Saxton, and Temperance Secretary, Mrs. Dr. G. F. H. Morris, is due much praise for their earnest and untiring efforts and the benediction that came to many through their programs, especially in their resident Churches.

The Adeline Smith Home is noted for its added blessings, the girls received in the industrial lines of work. The new improvement gives the long-wanted room and adds great beauty to the former building and grounds. Mrs. H. M. Nasmyth is the gifted and enthusiastic matron.

The Secretary is certainly grateful to the Conference officials for loyalty to her in the work. May the Lord continue His blessing upon them and all others concerned! Let us use every opportunity for the advancement of His cause—One who gave His life for us.

Mrs. G. N. JOHNSON, *Corresponding Secretary*.

LOUISIANA.

Another year has passed, and the things planned and hoped for during the year have not been accomplished. Our pledges have not been met. We have been pulling against the current, seemingly. Some have grown faint-hearted; still there are some faithful ones who have been and are still toiling and praying for the advancement and the success of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Louisiana Conference.

Efforts have been made and plans are now laid to raise money for Peck Memorial Home. Just now there is a renewed interest manifested in the work. There are several Auxiliaries to be organized soon.

We have an appeal from the upper portion of the State from a minister in a very poor charge, and the Conference Society is getting up supplies to forward to him.

Miss M. O. Simms, a teacher in New Orleans University, has been traveling over portions of the State in the interest of Peck Home during the summer, and this in addition to her work of teaching a summer normal school.

Mrs. E. L. Knostman, Bureau Secretary for West Southern States, is working like a heroine for the rebuilding of Peck Memorial Home, in the city of New Orleans. She met the Annual Conference, held at Baton Rouge in January, and made a lasting impression on ministers and people. She is very much interested, and we are much more so, as we know that such a Home will be the saving of many of our girls.

Our worthy and loved President, Mrs. D. C. Mead, who has been serving this Society for three years, has entered the campaign to do more with this as our motto, "We can if we will."

(Miss) CORNELIA HAYMAN, *Corresponding Secretary*.

MAINE.

The Maine Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society was organized twenty-five years ago, and surely the seed sown in the early days has borne fruit. This is the seventh annual meeting of the Board of Managers it has been my privilege to attend as Corresponding Secretary of Maine Conference, and I hope I may be pardoned if I review the work of the eight years as Corresponding Secretary, as this will

probably be my last. Our membership and number of Auxiliaries have nearly doubled twice, our young people and children are now well organized, and we own property to the value of over \$10,000, with less than \$3,000 debt. The Maine deaconess is a great help in keeping the people interested in the work of our Conference and Deaconess Home. The work of the last year in our Deaconess Home has been hard, owing to lack of workers, but our resourceful Superintendent, Mrs. H. I. Benson, has learned how to overcome difficulties, so that the work has not suffered, but grown on her hands. Miss Ollie Stewart came to us from the Kansas City Training-school, and we are expecting two new workers soon. Our annual meeting was held in Auburn last fall, with a good attendance. Mrs. May Cumisky Bliss was with us, and gave a month's itinerary with good results. District meetings were held in June, with Miss Josephine Corbin as speaker, and she gave a month of service, which was helpful and inspiring, and won her many friends. During the year four Auxiliaries have been organized and six Queen Esther Circles, with a gain in all departments of work. We are well organized, with a good Board of Officers in both Augusta and Portland Districts, which were reorganized, owing to the change of districts at the last session of Conference.

Our Treasurer's book does not show as large an increase this year, as last year we finished our Silver offering and had a gift of \$1,000 to the general fund, which we have not received this year. What a beautiful thing it is to give to the Lord's work, and by so doing enlarge "His kingdom!"

Miss Mary Mahon was with us at our Annual Conference, and gave us good service. We will be glad for her return. What a blessed privilege we have to tell of the wonderful way God is using the Woman's Home Missionary Society to carry "the gospel to every creature!"

May we not cease our "labors of love" "till every foe is vanquished and Christ is Lord indeed," and if we would hasten that day, every Christian woman must join hands with the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies for the "love of Christ and in His Name."

MRS. DANIEL ONSTOTT, *Secretary*.

MICHIGAN.

It is with pleasure that I present to you the twenty-fifth Annual Report, which closes the work of a quarter of a century in Michigan Conference. I think I may safely say that this has been one, if not the best, of all the years. The district officers were on the alert, doing what they could in stimulating the Auxiliary officers to duty, and they in turn the members of their respective Auxiliaries, which resulted in meeting all our obligations for the year and paying \$920 (cash) more than the previous year in the general treasury, and leaving a good balance in our treasury. In August we paid half of our share (\$500) of the Building and Improvement Fund.

Dr. Ward Platt gave a most excellent address at the Annual Meeting in November, which could not fail to win friends for Home Missions.

Mrs. Anna Elder, Superintendent of the Rebecca McCleskey Home, at Boaz, Ala., was present at the whole seven District Meetings held in May last. She gave most excellent service, captured her audiences, and was a great help in the business meetings. Too much can not be said in her praise.

New life came to our Young People's Department. Six new Circles were organized during the year, also several bands of Home Guards.

The thank-offering and mite-box fund were increased during the year. Cash supplies almost double of the previous year.

Two new Auxiliaries organized, making an increase of members of one hundred. It ought to have been one thousand. We are very hopeful for the coming year, and pledged an increase to the general fund of \$500, also a small sum in Special and Student Aid Fund. The outlook for the coming year is encouraging.

Especially do we earnestly pray that all the women in our Church may see the golden opportunity of doing service for the Master in the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In His Name.

MRS. LEVI MASTER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MINNESOTA.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Minnesota Conference continues to grow. We had two very profitable District Meetings in our Conference the past year, four new Auxiliaries, ten Queen Esther Circles, two Home Guards, and seven Mothers' Jewels Bands, gave us 250 new members. One Auxiliary was revived and one Queen Esther Circle reorganized. Miss Marion Perry, our Conference Deaconess, has done most excellent service.

We have seventy-seven societies, with 1,700 members.

We take 300 *Woman's Home Missions* and 250 *Children's Home Missions*.

We have four students in our Training-schools—three at the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, and one at the Kansas City Training-school.

Our Secretary of Supplies reports: For frontier work, Montana Mission, for fur coats, fur robes, pulpit suits, and business suits, \$275. Cash supplies valued at \$605.78; second-hand garments, 2,179.

Our Treasurer reports cash from all sources, \$3,157, exclusive of the money received from Churches for our Deaconess Home.

Our Deaconess Home has grown too small for our needs, and we are contemplating a much larger one.

We had the extreme pleasure of entertaining the National officers and delegates *en route* to the Convention at Los Angeles at a breakfast at Central Park Church, St. Paul. There were a hundred present. We also had with us ladies from the Northern Minnesota Conference and Woman's Home Missionary Society ladies of the other denominations in our city. After breakfast we were addressed by our President, Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson; our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D. L. Williams; Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, Treasurer, and Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Recording Secretary. Mrs. David Dailey, Jr., spoke for "Our Young People," Mrs. Anna D. Elder on "The White Work in the South," Mrs. Moors for "Deaconess Work," Mrs. Robertson for "New Members," Miss Van Marter and Miss Evans for "Our *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*." It was a most profitable morning.

We hope to meet you all again.

MRS. GEO. F. JENNINGS,
Corresponding Secretary.

MONTANA.

In the Montana Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society we have not achieved what we started out to accomplish this year, as so many of our Home Missionary women have been away all summer. However, we will endeavor to do what we can to further the work this coming year, asking God's blessing upon our labor. In His Name.

Mrs. N. E. CHURCH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEBRASKA.

This has been a prosperous year for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Nebraska Conference. We have gained more than three hundred members. We have paid our apportionment in full, and we have increased our pledge for next year three hundred dollars. Our success is largely due to the assistance Miss Josephine Corbin gave us. During the month of May she secured for us more than one hundred new members.

Mrs. Woodcock attended four of our District Conventions, speaking in the interest of the Mothers' Jewels Home. Asking our women to be loyal to this National institution, situated within the bounds of our Nebraska Conference, she asked the people to remember the Home with showers of fruit, eggs, linen, hose, clothing, etc. Most of our Auxiliaries are trying to double their membership. One Queen Esther Circle has doubled and another one tripled its membership. We expect this year to be the best in our history.

Mrs. LESLIE STEVENS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEWARK.

Following closely in the footsteps of its parent, the Newark Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society this year completes its twenty-fifth year of service, and we, too, hope to fittingly celebrate the occasion at our next Annual Meeting by holding a Silver Anniversary; and we are particularly fortunate in the selection of the time for the holding of our Conference Annual Meeting, for it comes near that day of days—Thanksgiving Day.

"From the time of the fathers until now, somewhere in the calendar of the year, there has been set a time for thanksgiving—a time when we depart from the routine of our daily living; when we forget the cares that have beset us and the worries that have distracted us—a time when we can with a vision retrospective look over the past and enumerate God's blessings, His mercies, His bounties, and His wonderful goodness toward us; and as we meditate on them surely the heart will swell and the voice proclaim as did the Psalmist of old:

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our life and we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

It needs no word of mine to suggest the particular fitness of that time as an occasion for our sincere thanksgiving, and we look for an inspiration and an uplift that shall mean a better service and a larger consecration to the work of the Master than ever before.

At the present time the Newark Conference has a membership of 2,500, but under the inspiration of the forward movement we look for a large increase, and shall not be satisfied until that part of the forward

movement requirement has been complied with and our membership of 1908 has been doubled.

We have a special reason for thanksgiving, inasmuch as our pledge toward the Building and Improvement Fund has been completed, and we are proud in being in the forefront with those who have completed their task as far as this part of the forward movement is concerned. This has not been done at the expense of any other part of our work, for I am pleased to report that all our other pledges and obligations have been met in full.

The Newark Conference responded beautifully to the call of the "Subscription Shower" to our Society organ, *Woman's Home Missions*, and we are glad to report a very substantial increase in the number of copies taken. We are also gratified to be able to report an increase in the number of subscriptions to *Children's Home Missions*.

Our Young People's Societies are gaining in numbers, but we greatly desire that the work among our Young People should advance more rapidly. If we would build strongly and permanently, we must see to it that the interest in our children and young people is maintained and that they be securely attached to the Church through its missionary work, for it is to them we must look for the future of our Society. Children and young people will be busy at something, whether it be good or bad. It is for us to direct them to the good.

It has been said that a sheep straying from the fold does not intend to get far away, but it finds strange and sweet verdure and it just nibbles itself away. And so with our young people, they do not mean to go astray, but worldly pleasures and harmful pursuits gradually wear them from the right path. Let us protect our young people and interest them in the good tidings of the Church that keep them busy and safe within the fold.

We are planning a large step in connection with our Reading Circles and Mission Study Classes.

From the two Deaconess Homes maintained in the Newark Conference there radiates the spirit of love and helpfulness that has meant much to the poor and suffering ones in that part of the Master's vineyard in which they are planted. And the good Father has greatly blessed the self-sacrificing service and consecration of these ministering angels.

The year that has just gone has perhaps been the most satisfactory in the history of our Conference Society, and yet, in looking retrospectively over what has been accomplished, it gives us but a clearer vision of what may be done in the future if we but accept the opportunities the dear Lord has given us.

There is not a sunrise that does not show us a work to be done, not a sunset that does not leave a work not done. So we pray for recruits for service in His vineyard, that we may more speedily accomplish that which He has given us to do.

If we are sincere in our prayer that His kingdom may come, we are sincere in our love for Him, for as Coleridge says in his "Rhyme of the Ancient Mariner:"

"He prayeth best who loveth best
All things both great and small;
For the dear Lord who loveth us,
He made and loveth all."

MRS. HEDLEY R. WOODWARD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW ENGLAND.

The past year shows an advance in the receipts of New England Conference, and the work has reached many fields, helping those of many races and color in our land, while our two Conference Homes have been growing in interest and usefulness. We are especially blest in retaining through all these years our devoted Superintendent and missionary, Mrs. A. C. Clark, at the Immigrant Home in East Boston. The twenty-first anniversary of her coming to the work was observed by holding a sale in the Home in June. It proved a delightful social occasion as well as a profitable one, making also a birthday in the life of our loved worker and friend. She is responsive to every call where her service may in any way further the work, whether it be to meet the incoming stranger, secure a marriage license, care for the sick, arrange for the last rites of one whose sufferings are over, or to plead for the work in public addresses. The necessity for a new building is becoming more and more apparent. Repairs are constantly needed, and then the old building is unable to resist the storms. At the Conference Annual Meeting in October, 1908, resolutions were presented by the corporation, showing the urgent need of a new building, and were adopted by the Conference. A strong appeal was made in its behalf. Miss H. B. Cooper, the daughter of Mrs. Z. A. Cooper, who worked so earnestly to secure funds for the purchase of the present Home, has put forth faithful and successful efforts by voice and pen in pressing this need, and in this she has been ably seconded by her father. Upwards of \$3,000 has been pledged and in part paid by our Conference.

The Charlestown Annex, since October, 1906, has been caring for the many girls arriving by the White Star and Allan Lines, who are obliged to remain over one night and take early morning trains.

The Hull Street Settlement and Medical Mission Dispensary has proved good training ground for foreign missionaries. Several have gone to fields across the sea, the latest in August to Korea. One worker comes from missionary work among the Indians to prepare herself for better service by taking missionary training. There have been two internes, a directress of nurses, four student nurses, and an interpreter resident in the Home the past year. It was deemed wise that one of the residents should be a graduate physician, and Dr. D. F. Downing now fills that place. Three "little nurses" classes have been gathered from children about the Settlement, and practical talks have been given the women of the neighborhood. The exhibition of the work of the medical and industrial departments, with the graduation of the nurses, gave to visiting friends an interesting day and evening.

There have been 9,534 calls made by the doctors, nurses, and social workers, 562 persons in the various clubs and classes; 178 obstetrical cases have been attended and 264 operations performed. Mrs. Ada T. Wells, after two years of most efficient service as Superintendent, is succeeded by Mrs. E. M. Taylor, who has directed the social work. Miss Corbman, who has done fine work as directress of nurses, is obliged to resign for rest.

A great loss has come to the Conference in the death, in November last, of Mrs. C. A. Jacobs. Her gentleness and sweet spirit, combined with her ripe judgment and willingness to assume any burden where thereby she might advance the work, make her deeply beloved by all who knew her.

In August, Mrs. L. E. Mason, a dear mother in Israel, active in every branch of Church work, but to whom the Woman's Home Missionary Society was especially dear, passed on to her reward.

(Mrs.) SARAH WYMAN FLOYD, *Corresponding Secretary*.

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN.

As we come to the close of another year and review the work we rejoice that by the faithfulness and activity of the workers a large degree of prosperity and success has been attained. The increased membership and an increased subscription list to *Woman's Home Missions* prove that the zealous efforts of many have been rewarded.

The President, Mrs. Eben Tirrell, has visited several Auxiliaries and presented the work of the Society. Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff was secured for addresses at Providence, New Bedford, Attleboro, and East Weymouth, and Mrs. H. L. Hill has given addresses at Stafford Springs, Norwich, New London, and Westerly. At the Conference Anniversary, at Pawtucket, R. I., the speaker was Rev. Geo. W. Tupper, of Boston, Mass. At the Willimantic Camp Ground, Mrs. Amanda C. Clark, of Boston, Mass., presented the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

At the beginning of the year a circular letter was sent to each Auxiliary suggesting, among other things, that the special work—the Forward Movement—claim the attention of all Auxiliaries. As a response, \$73.92 has been received for this fund from the Auxiliaries, and \$225, the Emily Rogers' legacy, applied to it, making a total of \$298.92. All pledges have been met, and the total receipts for the year have been \$2,773.42. The Secretary of Supplies reports the cash value of supplies, \$601.10, and 1,299 partly worn garments. With a membership of 1,065 (thirty-seven Auxiliaries), and a subscription list to *Woman's Home Missions* of 352, and *Children's Home Missions* of 339, the outlook for the coming year is most encouraging.

Removal to a Western State early in the year made the resignation of Mrs. M. B. Wilson, President of the New Bedford District, imperative, but the memory of her faithful labors remains with us.

Several of the Auxiliaries have suffered the loss of members by death, and the entire Conference is bereaved by the passing out of this life of our beloved Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah A. Paine, who has gone to be "forever with the Lord."

We face the future hopefully, knowing that the seed faithfully sown will yield an abundant harvest.

MRS. ALBERT W. ROGERS, *Corresponding Secretary*.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

In presenting this report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in New Hampshire Conference, I can say the work is advancing in many Auxiliaries, while in a few interest is lacking. However, our pledges are all paid, our regular anniversaries have been held, leaflets and other literature, including the Annual Report, which is a real textbook, have been widely circulated. At our Annual Conference Meeting Miss Mary Mahon gave an able address to a large audience. At the camp-ground at Hedding, also at Weirs, Mrs. Geo. A. Ackerman spoke of the work in the South as she saw it.

At Claremont Junction and Wilmot, Rev. D. C. Babcock, one of our veteran preachers, gave the address.

Mrs. A. W. Newhall was with us at a District meeting, and told of the every-day home life in Alaska, which, with the curios she brought from that far-away land, was particularly interesting.

Rev. James A. Beebe gave us a strong missionary talk at a public meeting of the Executive Board.

Glancing back over the year, we note many successes wrought by patient, willing hands. May they continue the good work and many more join with them this present year!

MRS. EDW. B. SAVAGE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW JERSEY.

The year just closed marks the twenty-third of our Conference organization, and has been on the whole a very successful one, as all pledges have been met at an advance of considerable figure over last year. The four districts are well organized and each have held district meetings, when the work has been presented by able and consecrated leaders of the work.

The Conference anniversary address was delivered by Dr. W. H. Wilder, of Washington, D. C.; it was helpful and full of encouraging opportunities for the Auxiliary woman and, we believe, won many friends for the work.

The Young People of New Jersey Conference are a great delight to the Conference Board. The past year they have raised in full the amount for "Building and Improvement Fund," and are helping in all lines of work assumed by the Conference. They have also raised a generous sum to secure the reception room and furnishings in the fine new "Mitchell Home," to name for their much-beloved and honored Secretary, Mrs. M. S. Northrop.

Our Literature is being more and more read and appreciated, and the Study Courses are being used more extensively. There is an encouraging increase in the quantity and value of the supplies sent out to preachers and Industrial Homes, and the supply work in our Conference, as in many Conferences, may be called the strong right arm of the organization.

New Jersey Conference is proud and happy in claiming Bancroft Rest Home within the bounds of the Conference. You will find in this beautiful Christian Home, home in every sense of the word, some who have served long and faithfully. Through their efforts many have been led into a larger, better life, and are passing on to others the teachings of these noble women; surely their "works do follow them." Many of the weary toilers, well-nigh exhausted, seek this place of rest, and after a few weeks spent by the sea, the quiet and rest has resulted in restoring health, refreshment of body and soul, and enabled them to return to their great "harvest fields" to seek the sinning one, rescue the perishing, and comfort the sorrowing. Many of these tired workers look upon this Home as an "Annex of Heaven." Fifty deaconesses, thirteen missionaries, and nineteen other Christian workers have been lovingly and tenderly cared for by the devoted and motherly ministrations of Miss Mosher and her able assistant, Mrs. Dunsloe.

Miss Carres K. Swartz, Field Secretary for our National Training-school at Washington, D. C., spent two months in our Conference. She was received with much enthusiasm, and through her efforts several new

organizations were effected and the work greatly strengthened; also many young women are inquiring the way to enter this noble institution.

Our hearts are gladdened as we look back upon the months of continued, earnest work that has deepened our sense of dependence upon God and a readiness of our Auxiliary members and beautiful Queen Esthers to follow His leadings. And as we study from month to month the results accomplished in the Southland, in Mormon lands, at Ellis Island, on the frontier, and in far-away Alaska—to sum up the value of all these and other loving ministries, or to measure the influence for good emanating from all these centers, must be left to Him who owns, blesses the work, and guides and upholds the workers.

MRS. WESLEY B. STOUT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW YORK.

The one aim of our Conference the past year has been to spread information, reorganize our remote districts, and increase our membership and enthusiasm. To this end we had Miss Mahon with us during a part of the winter, laying foundation work for the coming year. We are grateful that we realized some immediate results, and we are hopeful for the future. The sum total of our pledges was greater than last year, though it was more difficult to give on account of the serious financial conditions.

Our meetings, whether public or auxiliary, were all well attended with most carefully prepared programs. Our four districts are well organized. We are deeply indebted to Miss Mahon, who tactfully and wisely met our women, assisted in every possible way to promote the work, to interest the ministers, and who endeared herself to all.

The long illness and death of Mrs. J. G. Price, a former Corresponding Secretary, brought sorrow to our hearts and great sympathy for her devoted family.

The two Homes in our Conference make many claims upon us. They will report for themselves. The annual "Linen Shower" and "Founders' Day" are fixed occasions.

We realized the benefit which came to our Conference through the members, eighteen in all, who attended the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. We regret the great distance this year.

The Young People have shown increased interest under Mrs. Francis's faithful leadership.

The spirit of harmony in our work is a blessing to all.

Our very much beloved Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. J. L. Hall, is about to settle in Seattle. We shall miss her, but we are glad for the Society which shall have her capable, loyal help.

This has been a year of hard and constant work. The officers of the New York Conference have attended all of the important meetings and assisted the Corresponding Secretary in every way to promote the wider interest of the General Society.

We have had the inspiring presence of our President Emeritus, Mrs. Fisk, in our various meetings. We feel this to be a great honor.

We hope for larger things another year.

MRS. T. H. BARAWANATH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW YORK EAST.

Another year with its opportunities for service is past, and the record made will, in a measure, show whether the knock of opportunity at the gates of hearts and lives was quickly heeded, or whether the late response found the fleeting guest departed. That the call has been heeded by the loyal women and young people of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of New York East Conference may readily be seen by a brief review of the completed volume of the twenty-fourth year's history.

Pledges for the support of the work were made to forty-one of the various Homes and Schools, and a conditional pledge amounting to \$500 for local work at four different points in the New York East Conference. More than one thousand dollars in excess of these pledges was paid.

We rejoice that we can report every department of the work is growing, and that the interest in the cause of Home Missionary work is gaining favor and friends. Large and enthusiastic meetings were held in each district. Anniversary services were held at Jamesport, Long Island, Plainfield, and New Haven Camp-meetings. Rev. O. F. Bartholow, D. D., of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., gave a most stirring and eloquent appeal for the open door to home missionary endeavor at the Conference Anniversary held at Stamford, N. Y.

Interest in temperance work is steadily increasing as the work is better understood. There are two District and sixteen Auxiliary Secretaries at work in this important department.

Supplies were sent to thirty ministers and to many students, while eight fur coats were sent to ministers in the Northwest. In three years sixteen Reading Circles, with 230 readers, have been organized, which means a wider dissemination of missionary intelligence. Mite-box Secretary reports 760 boxes out, with \$613.19 collected. Not as many copies of our splendid periodicals are taken as we would like, but we hope to increase the list of subscribers next year.

Quite a sum has been paid in on the Building and Improvement Fund, and more will be given this year if the time be continued. Could the advance of one thousand dollars in pledges be credited to this fund, the obligation of the Conference would be more than met.

The work of the Young People is most gratifying, and shows an increase in Circles and children's work. More than one thousand dollars have been poured into the Conference treasury through the effort of the young people.

Especial interest is shown in the support of our two splendid Deaconess Homes. Training-schools of superior excellence are maintained in both Homes.

The long-cherished desire that some form of local industrial mission work might be carried on in the building adjoining the Brooklyn Deaconess Home became a reality last December, when a sewing class was opened by Miss Priscilla Foster, Superintendent of the Home, with twenty-five little girls of various nationalities. Miss Foster is assisted by the student deaconess, also by Miss Carrie Burt, daughter of Bishop Burt. Miss Burt is an Italian scholar of merit, and is of great help in caring for the Italian children. At the close of the year more than sixty pupils were enrolled.

Mothers' meetings, boys' clubs, kindergarten, and a Sunday-school are in the plans for the future. It is hoped that this may be the beginning of a strong city mission.

It is with deeper regret than can be expressed that our President, Mrs. John A. Secor, who for the nearly twenty-five years of the existence of the Conference organization has been a most faithful and devoted worker, and for sixteen years the capable and greatly beloved President, is to remove to a distant State. Her gracious and pleasing personality will be missed, and her many friends will welcome her speedy return.

God has most graciously blessed the efforts put forth to the furtherance of His cause. Asking His continued blessing and guidance, with courage we look forward to the new year.

(Mrs.) LILLY LEONARD SLACK, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH CAROLINA.

We are very grateful to our Heavenly Father that we are able to close our books of another year's work with unquestionable signs of advancement. Our hopes have not been fully realized, yet there is much cause for thankfulness.

We rejoice to report twenty Auxiliaries, ten Queen Esther Circles, five Mothers' Jewels. There has been an increase in our membership. We are using more of the Woman's Home Missionary Society literature, and hence have a broader knowledge of the work. Our financial receipts are in advance over last year's report, as you will see from our Treasurer's report.

We have had two beneficiaries in school the past year, one in Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C., and one in Allen Home, Asheville, N. C. We have not been able to make any *pledges* owing to our peculiar financial situation, yet we hope to do so in the future.

We have been favored and helped the past year by the presence and service of Miss Bessie Garrison, Assistant General Organizer, who has organized new Auxiliaries, revived old ones, and has, in a measure, given new impetus to the work among us, for which we feel very thankful. I think we may truthfully say our work in this State is moving onward, and with the combined efforts and prayers of our faithful women, we may truly come to a realization of the great object for which we work—America for Christ.

(Mrs.) ANNA E. PEACE,
Corresponding Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA.

The eighth birthday anniversary of the North Dakota Woman's Home Missionary Society was celebrated in June in Grand Forks. Not many delegates were present at the feast, but we know that 256 women and 150 Queen Esther girls somewhere in the State had helped to prepare it, though it was not theirs to enjoy.

We are glad that not so much is expected of an eight-year-old child as from her older sisters, but we find that each year she has grown some and loves to do all she can.

The interest in the work is growing throughout the Conference among our ministers and women, and we feel sure that a good harvest can be gathered very soon. We have heard the call from four places and it has been answered by some one of the officers, the result being three new Auxiliaries and the beginning of a good work in another place.

Our growth is retarded by the removal of many of our good workers to the still further Northwest. We are still a young and restless people.

We are planning and hoping and working together for this new year to be the best.

MRS. F. W. HEIDEL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH INDIANA.

Another year is gone, and with it the good that we have been able to accomplish and the opportunities we have failed to embrace.

In reviewing the work of North Indiana Conference, we see with pleasure how faithful the Auxiliaries have been in responding to the numerous demands made upon them, both of money and of time.

The various lines of our Home Mission work are being carefully looked after by our faithful Department Secretaries.

Our twenty-fifth Anniversary Conference Convention was held at Peru in the fall, and was a well attended and very enthusiastic meeting. Miss Nellie Snider, one of our General Organizers, and Mrs. Susie Winold, of Cincinnati, were with us and gave us the benefit of their words of advice and instruction during the day sessions, and each one delivered a splendid evening address.

Miss Josephine Corbin was with us at our anniversary meeting, in connection with our Annual Conference, in the spring, and gave us an excellent address, holding the attention of the large audience till the very close of the meeting. By her sweetness of manner and expression she won many friends for herself, as well as for the great cause of missions.

Each of our six districts held its own District Meeting during the month of June. It was my privilege to attend each of these meetings, and thus come in closer touch with the faithful women of North Indiana Conference. Miss Nellie Snider was also in attendance upon all of the District Meetings, and gave six splendid addresses, besides being a storehouse of wisdom during all the sessions of the days. Most of the districts were able to report all apportionments paid in full, and some reported a surplus, which is always a source of joy. Each district was loyal in standing by an increased pledge for another year, not a very large advance, but still an *advance*. We are all trying to be faithful and cheerful in meeting our obligations, and are endeavoring to increase our membership and to add new names to the list of subscribers to both *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*. We believe fully in the watchword, "We can and we will."

We are certainly grateful to our Heavenly Father for the many blessings of the year that is passed, and our faith is strong for the year we are entering, and we want to prove our faith by our works. During the past year some of our number have passed through deep sorrows, but God's grace has been sufficient, and they were comforted and strengthened.

As we close the door of the old year, it is with regret for the opportunities we allowed to pass unnoticed, but we turn to open the door of the new year with the determined purpose of being more watchful and more prayerful, and with the hope that God will bless our efforts and make each one of us the instrument in His hands of advancing His kingdom here on earth.

MRS. A. B. CLINE,

Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHERN MINNESOTA.

Another year, in its rapid flight, with all that has been done or left undone, with its opportunities embraced or neglected, has passed beyond recall into eternity, and again, like the watchman upon the tower, we are called upon to tell of the past and what the signs of promise for the future are. We can not say we have done all we had hoped to do, nor even all we had planned to do, but we can say to our Heavenly Father and to our co-laborers we have tried to do our best.

Northern Minnesota Conference, although nine years old, still holds mission relations to our work. Frontier conditions still exist in much of our territory. Many of the charges of our Church are in small, new towns, where the pastors' salaries are so small that our Society is called upon for assistance, and we still are obliged to keep one-half our dues to furnish supplies for the heroic men and women who are willing to face these conditions in our rigorous climate. Of course, we can not expect to organize in such places, so our Auxiliaries do not multiply as fast as we could wish. We come to the close of this year, 1908-09, with greater cheer than at any previous year in our history.

Our membership, both in our Auxiliaries and Circles, is steadily increasing, and, best of all, it is an intelligent membership. We have also paid into the treasury more money than at any previous year. We more than met our pledges last year, and are ready to "make good" for another year. On account of the distance from one part of our Conference to another, and the consequent expense and the shortage of contingent funds, we can not send out Organizers as often as we wish we could.

The wife of one of our District Superintendents has for a month been doing a good work on her husband's district, a work that, perhaps, no one else could have done as well.

Miss Mahon is about to commence a month's itinerary with us, and we hope much good will result.

A Deaconess Home has been established at Duluth, the beautiful city at the head of the Great Lakes. The four deaconesses connected with it are going out and in among the foreign populations of those rough mining towns, doing a work that angels might almost covet, we have no doubt winning souls for the kingdom by their gentle, loving ministrations.

Death has invaded our ranks and taken from us Mrs. C. A. Van Anda, for many years a member of our Board, a generous donor, and an ardent friend of our Society. "But our lives are bright with the lingering light, for a true life can not die."

Our Board is not a strong one. Two or three of our officers who have for many years stood at the head and borne the responsibilities are beginning to look about for some younger shoulders on which to cast their mantle, and we hope in the near future some young women will put new life into our work and Northern Minnesota will be able to do greater things.

For the love of Christ and in His name.

MRS. S. J. WEEKS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHERN NEW YORK.

The work in Northern New York Conference has experienced a steady growth along all lines during the past year. The District Secretaries have been faithful and untiring in their efforts to hold the interest in the Auxiliaries, increase membership, and add inspiration generally. While we have not added largely to our membership, we hope to do so in the year just begun. We now number 2,658 members, with ninety three Auxiliaries. We rejoice over an increase in subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, which denotes more general information.

Our new Secretary of Young People's work is a live, earnest Home Missionary woman, and will inspire our young people to be useful and helpful in aiding others to reach a higher standard of Christian living. Our work was ably presented, as usual, at the public gathering of our Church. Dr. W. H. Fry, of Rochester, N. Y., spoke for us in April at our Annual Conference, and gave his helpful and instructive address "Sign of the Cross at the Gates of the Empire."

Miss Mary Mahon, of Buffalo, came to us for our Conference meeting in November, and proved so helpful and inspiring we secured her for our five District Meetings in May. She added new members, new subscribers to our papers, and gave a general uplift to our work. Mrs. F. V. Chapman, of Athens, Tenn., visited our three camp-meetings, besides many Auxiliaries, also speaking at Thousand Island Park, creating love and interest in our work, and securing scholarships for her own unselfish work.

Our Conference pledges were paid in full, with a surplus in the treasury, consequently an increased amount pledged for another year.

Our little Italian Mission in Utica is fast overflowing its border. With an earnest, consecrated President of the Local Board, who gives largely of her time and is generous in financial aid for the Mission and Sunday-school, a faithful Christian deaconess, who has mastered the Italian language sufficiently to give Bible readings to the Italian mother, and a nurse deaconess in the kindergarten, who is always helpful and kind, we hope soon to establish a mission in this field which will be an honor to the cause of Christ and Home Missions.

Some of our workers have heard the "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of our Lord."

A District Secretary of Mite-boxes, who was also Superintendent of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels, and loved the work intensely, was called to her reward. A District Secretary of Young People's work, who was faithful and earnest, was taken from great suffering.

The husband of a District Secretary, who was District Superintendent and loyal to our cause, has also gone, and many Auxiliary workers of whom it can truly be said the seed sown by them will yield abundantly.

We expect other consecrated women will take up the work these laid down, and will seek the blessing of a happy, useful life spent for Him who said, "As ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

MRS. A. C. DANFORTH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH NEBRASKA.

While all our hopes have not been realized nor all our plans carried out, a successful year has been the result of faithful effort. A steady growth in membership, two new Auxiliaries, and three Queen Esther Circles are only a part of our achievements. More and more our women

realize the need of our valuable literature in creating and maintaining interest in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Miss Schmickle, our Conference Deaconess, did the work of an Organizer in our Conference with great acceptability. Her services as assistant pastor have been very highly appreciated by the ministers whom she has helped.

Miss M. E. Roberts, our veteran Organizer, was with us during the Conference Convention at Oakdale in June. Her strong appeals and wise counsel will long be remembered with profit. The Treasurer's report showed a larger amount of money more promptly paid than ever before. The pledges for the year 1909-'10 have nearly all been increased.

With an Auxiliary membership of eight hundred, an increasing knowledge of the work, and a persistent activity in raising money, we feel sure of the best year in our history thus far.

MRS. WM. GORST, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH OHIO.

The seed has been sown and the harvest gathered for another year, and we are assured that faithful and bountiful sowing will bring results. As the books close we know that figures do not tell of the devotion and even sacrifice of the bands of women, young people, and children in their efforts to bring the kingdom into the hearts and lives of their less fortunate sisters.

The five districts organized a year ago held successful conventions, and the increased interest and number of women reached proves the wisdom of the plan.

We have not accomplished the task set for us last year by our leaders, but we are pressing toward the mark, and will not give up until we have attained.

We feel much encouragement in looking over the reports of four years ago, when we were pledging to sixteen Homes and schools, while in the year just closed we pledged to thirty-four. Not many are large gifts, but we have widened the interest of all our women by allowing them to invest not only their gifts but themselves in this broad field.

Our Bureau Secretaries, in reporting missionaries and teachers going to the foreign field from our schools, makes one feel that, like the White Ribboners, we encircle the world. Our young people are enthusiastic, and like nothing better than the chance to help other boys and girls.

Several Auxiliaries and Circles have been organized during the year, and a gratifying increase in Mothers' Jewels leads us to think that the Auxiliaries are waking up to the possibility of growing their own members.

With a vision of the great need of the work and the thousands of women not yet in the Society, we are determined, as never before, to urge its claims on the women of Methodism.

MRS. M. W. REECE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHWEST INDIANA.

The year now closing has been one showing better official supervision than any year we have had.

In all departments we are gaining in a more compact organization and more intelligent workers. We expect this to result in a larger

growth in every department of our work. Already this is shown in the increased interest in our District Meetings, in better programs, and larger attendance.

Our Conference Annual Meeting was held at Battle Ground, July 29th to 31st. It was largely attended. We held a public meeting Tuesday evening, in which reports were given and a historical sketch of our Conference organization by Miss Myron Campbell, Conference Treasurer, this being our twenty-fifth anniversary. The address was given by Mrs. W. Burt Wilson, Conference President. Our program was received with great enthusiasm.

Financially the year has been our best one, showing an increased offering of near \$1,000. Many of our Auxiliaries have doubled their membership; others are working to that end. New Auxiliaries have been organized, with a few Children's Bands. Forty-eight of our Auxiliaries were on the Honor Roll, having paid all their obligations.

The Battle Ground Camp-meeting Association holds a beautiful property near Lafayette, Ind., with a large tabernacle and many beautiful cottages. From a bequest of Mrs. Rebecca Meharry one of the best and most favorably located cottages has been purchased as Conference Headquarters for the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Our Methodist Hospital and Deaconess Home of Indiana is still lying heavily upon our women. The three Conferences, Woman's Home Missionary Society, are the third corporate holders of a property now worth \$300,000. We assumed an obligation of \$10,000, equally divided between the three Conferences. The Northwest has paid about two-thirds of its obligation on this debt. The Hospital has not been able to secure deaconess nurses, and they have not been financially justified in yet undertaking to train deaconesses. This they hope to do in the near future.

We are looking forward to the most successful year of our organization.

Mrs. D. M. Wood, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHWEST IOWA.

We are glad to report a year of progress for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of our Conference. Our membership has increased, and the Treasurer reports larger receipts for the year than ever before.

The district and local officers have been doing very good work. The five District Conventions were well attended, and the meetings were full of interest and profit. Mrs. M. Libby Allen spent nearly a month with us in May, doing most excellent work. She had visited four of our districts when she was called to her home in Des Moines by the sudden death of her husband.

During her hours of sorrow she has had the prayers and sympathy of the many friends she made while with us.

The Methodist Union of the Sioux City Home Missionary Society, which was organized last year, has held interesting and profitable meetings.

As a Conference we deeply mourn the loss of Mrs. Shesler, our President Emeritus, who died during the year.

The Shesler Deaconess Home in Sioux City is in a prosperous condition. I feel sure that the work has never been regarded in higher esteem or as more important than at the present time.

A great effort is being made in the districts to double the membership within the two years. Several of the Auxiliaries have already done

this. One Auxiliary, organized last February, with a membership of twenty, now has eighty-one.

Many new subscribers to *Home Missions* are being secured. We are also trying to secure a thousand subscribers to *Children's Home Missions* in our Conference.

The Annual Meeting of our Conference Society was held in Morningside, Sioux City. Mrs. Mabel I. Hilbish was with us and won all hearts. We also had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Luther Freeman, the newly-elected President of Morningside College. Dr. Freeman has consented to give the address for our Society at the Annual Conference Anniversary.

We hope during the coming year to still go "forward," doing all "for the love of Christ and in His name."

(MISS) MINNIE ELIZABETH HICKMAN, *Corresponding Secretary*.

NORTHWEST KANSAS.

Missionary zeal is spreading as never before; the very atmosphere is full of it, and mission work in its different phases is being discussed everywhere. I praise God for His awakening power among the people.

We held a Home Missionary Convention last October, and it was very helpful to all who attended. We had with us Miss Davis, from the Pacific Coast, and her eight little Chinese folks, and they were an inspiration to the people.

Many of our folks had no idea of the magnitude of the rescue work until they heard through Miss Davis of her experiences on the coast. On their return trip they stopped with us in Salina, spoke in the First Methodist Episcopal Church at night to a full house, many standing all through the service in their eagerness to hear her. Mrs. Bush, of Kansas City, was with us, and represented our work at Conference, and helped us in many ways. We now have our charter, and the deeds for our two lots will be turned over to the Home Missionary Society very soon.

Dr. Coker was also with us, and planned for a Home Missionary Convention to be held in Concordia in April. The Convention was a great success, and there was a large delegation from different parts of the Conference present. Drs. Boswell, Haywood, Doughty, and Vaughan were with us, also Dr. Livinggood from Texas. It was a feast to our souls to hear from these great men of the work from the different points of the compass. Mrs. Williams and Miss Bancroft were with us from the first, and their loving counsel and encouraging words abide with us still. While there Dr. Coker and the brethren of the Conference arranged for Echo Conventions, to be held in every district, to sound forth the glad news that our Christ is marching on.

Miss Blanchko, Field Deaconess for Fisk Training-school, followed up these conventions with the brethren, and told very beautifully of our work and its needs.

Miss Addie E. Benedict is still our Conference Deaconess, and is very helpful to us in all lines of missionary work and also in evangelistic work. We love her more and more as we know her better.

Our ministerial brethren are to begin their seventeenth session of the Summer School of Theology, August 31st, to last ten days. Those in charge have arranged and published in their programs that we are to have two hours each day for a mission-study class. They have also sent

invitations to the ministers' wives of the Conference, and we are expecting a very profitable time together.

The six hundred Bohemians at Wilson are not as antagonistic toward the Church as they were a year ago, and there have been several accessions to the Church, and all, I think, feel more in sympathy with the work of their pastor.

We feel very much the need of the enthusiasm that might be gained could we attend the great Convention that is so soon to convene, but because of the great expense, we are willing to deny ourselves and do what we can for the cause that lies very near to our hearts by staying at home.

My prayer is that the Lord may graciously bless all who do attend, and that the influence from the Convention may be felt far and wide.

We hope through the daily that will be published in a small way to keep in touch with the work and the workers.

MRS. ISAIAH McDOWELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

OHIO.

We believe that our women are becoming more and more interested in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Each District Meeting brings better reports and each Conference Meeting is more of a success.

We were greatly favored at our Conference Anniversary by having Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff with us. She also spoke in some of our churches and in the Ohio Penitentiary. We feel sure that she led many people to a better life and a deeper interest in the work, as she told of the lepers in Porto Rico.

Miss Elizabeth Evans attended our District Meetings. Her very presence aroused our women to do something for the Young People, so that we have quite a number of new Young People's Societies. Our women are splendid to respond to all appeals. They are doing very well for the Building and Improvement Fund, but we are sorry to say they are very slow in regard to the doubling of their membership. All pledges have been met.

We are educating Miss Mary E. Herrold at the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school. During the year Mrs. C. M. Bell, of Frazeysburg, gave us a beautiful organ for the Home at Boaz. We pray that God's richest blessings may be upon this consecrated woman and upon all who are near and dear to her. We hope to have a new Deaconess Home to tell about in the near future.

This is the great problem: How can we interest the preachers and the women in this, the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society? May God bless us and lead us to victory!

MRS. E. W. SEEDS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

OKLAHOMA.

In the work of trying to save "America for Christ," I am glad our Conference organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has had at least a small part.

Aggressive work was planned at the Anniversary Meeting at Conference.

Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, of Southern California Conference, delivered

the Conference Address, and later spent two weeks in organizing and strengthening the work.

Three interesting and helpful District Meetings were held, the first in the history of the organization.

Seven new Auxiliaries have been added this year, besides two Mothers' Jewels and one Queen Esther Circle. While the progress is slow owing to conditions which exist only in a new country, yet we feel that there is a growing sentiment in favor of our work, which means much for its future in Oklahoma Conference.

One opportunity was afforded of presenting the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to the District Ministerial Association. Sermons have been preached in the interest of our work and collections taken. Supplies—cash and clothing—have been sent to our needy preachers, while many of these seed-sowers have been grateful recipients of supplies from other States.

El Reno Auxiliary, our youngest organization, has already doubled her membership, and we hope her good example may be followed by others.

Oklahoma, as well as America, is only another name for opportunity, and my prayer is that, as the foreigners come to us, as well as the home-seeker from other States, we may be able to give them the Bible and the Church. MRS. J. F. WARREN, *Corresponding Secretary*.

OREGON.

Another milestone has marked the progress of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Oregon Conference.

Another year, with its joys and sorrows (we thank God there have been but few of the latter), with its hopes and aspirations for the uplifting, strengthening, and building of this great organization has rapidly passed. We earnestly wish that more might have been accomplished; we reverently thank God that in the strength of His name *much has been done*.

Early in the Conference year, owing to conditions existing in my family, I realized that I could not get away from home to do the work of organizing and visiting Auxiliaries, and as God invariably has the right man for the right place, so had He the right woman, and we feel to thank God for our Organizer, Mrs. Harriet Humble Weaver, who has done such efficient work in the Oregon Conference this year for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. So has Mrs. Ida Belknap done some excellent work for us, especially at Eugene and Roseburg.

The growth of the Woman's Home Missionary Society this year in the Oregon Conference has been marvelous. Almost a score of new Auxiliaries have been added, bringing in hundreds of enthusiastic workers all over the State. The old Auxiliaries have been strengthened, all making a visible increase, while many have even doubled their membership. Everywhere, all over the State, new life seems to have seized the work, and verily the "forward movement" is the watchword in Oregon.

Many are the hearts that have been gladdened this year in our own loved State. There has been between \$700 and \$800 sent in money and clothing to our underpaid ministers and other needy ones, saying nothing of a vast amount of good clothing (but because it is not new we never take account of it) and provisions and fruits by the box and barrel have been sent. Methinks I hear the sweet, glad words of our

Master come ringing down through the corridors of time, "As oft as ye have done it unto me of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

It comes to us as a shout of victory, and in our glad hearts we offer a song of praise. Yet there is more, and I feel that a great work has been done in the establishing of our Swedish deaconess in the city of Portland. It took no little courage to undertake this proposition without a dollar in sight, while the Swedish deaconess seemed less in evidence than did the dollar. But through the persistent and untiring efforts of our Mrs. Weaver, the one, the right one, was brought to our knowledge. Then we had the deaconess, but not the dollar to bring her from the Far East, but God helps them who help themselves, and we put it into the heart of our general officer, Mrs. Bancroft, to furnish transportation. Then I sent out a letter to every Auxiliary in our Conference, asking them to put their shoulder to the financial wheel and help push. And from all over the State came the cheerful answer, "We will." I think I should especially mention the Salem Auxiliary, for they responded so cheerfully and generously. At a mass-meeting of the Home and Foreign Societies in the lovely home of our own Mrs. Kimball I presented the matter of our Swedish deaconess work and the need we had of money. I was immediately appointed to see what could be done right there that day. I am happy to say almost every one responded, and we raised in cash a goodly sum and immediately forwarded it to Mrs. Weaver, who had the matter in charge. Since that time the money has come flowing in from first one Auxiliary, then another, for our deaconess fund, until to-day we are ready to turn over to the incoming officers a noble deaconess, well established in her work, without a dollar of indebtedness. Eternity alone will tell the results of her work in Portland.

Not alone in Oregon have we worked, for the Woman's Home Missionary Society reaches out a helping hand to God's needy ones wherever the Stars and Stripes float, from the snow-capped peaks of Alaska to the islands of the sea. There comes to-day a shout of victory and a song of praise from Ritter Home, Tenn.; Industrial Home, Tucson, Ariz.; Orphanage, San Juan, P. R.; Day School, Ponce, P. R.; Training-school, San Juan, P. R.; Stickney Home, Lynden, Wash.; Frances DePauw School, Los Angeles, Cal.; Dulce Mission, Dulce, New Mexico; Mission, Sinuk, Alaska; Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.; Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.; Deaconess Training-school, San Francisco, Cal. To these institutions we have sent nearly \$500.

We are glad to be able to turn over to our successor the secretaryship of a Society in such splendid condition. While the work has been laborious to some extent, we are glad that it was our privilege to lend our little mite.

In many ways our year has been a joyous one, for to our knowledge there has never been a discordant heart-throb in our splendid Conference Board. Perfect harmony has prevailed throughout the entire year. Perfect unity of purpose and action. Largely to this fact may be attributed the grand success of the year's work.

Our magnificent army of Auxiliaries has been so ready to respond to our every call for assistance that it has made our work lighter and our hearts glad. We close our work for 1909 with a song of thanksgiving in our hearts for the magnificent results of the year's work.

Old Auxiliaries brought to life this year, 4; new Auxiliaries organized this year, 8; total Auxiliary members added this year, 500; total Queen Esther members, 99; total Home Guards, 13; total Jewels, 28; grand total, 640.

Total membership of Auxiliaries: 1,055; Queen Esthers, 123; Home Guards, 70; Jewels, 176; grand total, 1,424.

Our Treasurer reports total received for our work, \$1,788.46; total disbursed through Mrs. Thompson, cash and vouchers, \$1,737.74, an increase over last year of \$1,120.00. Every pledge met in full.

(MRS.) FANNIE M. PENN, *Retiring Corresponding Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA.

Our Conference organization has lost none of its vitality, and the past year has been marked by a very decided advance movement in our local deaconess work. We have some time since outgrown our accommodations for it, and in the last months an adjoining house has been purchased, and by the removal of partitions will become an integral part of the present Home. This will give room for dispensary and office, for social rooms, and increased room for industries, and in the near future, by some addition, will provide a good gymnasium and other necessary appliances. It is wonderful how this settlement work has grown into the hearts of the people, and what a savor of life unto life it has been in that congested neighborhood.

We have twelve and more deaconesses in constant service, some as assistants in Churches, some as neighborhood workers, and others in industrial classes. One is fully occupied with the Immigrant Work.

Our Society has increased in numbers and in general interest. Our Annual Meeting and Anniversary Meeting were seasons of special interest, the outcome of the latter being generous pledges toward the cost of local extension. The Quarterly Meetings and District Meetings have been well attended, and have grown in interest.

The Young People's Work is taking a prominent place, and a number of new Circles and Home Guards have been organized. The interest of the Young People is a prophecy of growth and stability for the whole work, as they are assuming their full share of the financial obligations as well as the active work in all departments.

The growing interest in reading is also an encouraging sign. More literature has been circulated and read than ever before, and many of the Auxiliaries pursue a course of study.

With the return of prosperity the immigration to this port has increased, thus making that department more prominent.

Much has been accomplished in the Supply Department, and we can record general progress along all lines.

MRS. G. E. PALEN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

PITTSBURG.

The twenty-fifth birthday of the Pittsburgh Conference organization was celebrated in the new Asbury Church, June 17th. On June 6, 1884, in old Christ Church the Society was first formed. Reports for the year showed a decided increase in all departments. At the close of the morning session a silver loving cup, filled with gold pieces, was presented to our Treasurer, Miss A. R. Ingram, in loving recognition of her twenty-five years of faithful, continuous service. In the afternoon Mrs. H. C. Hill, of New York, made an excellent and inspiring address. The day will long be remembered.

Our Treasurer reports most all pledges met and a large increase to general fund over last year.

Miss Lake, of the San Francisco Japanese Home, and the dear baby made us a visit on their way home from the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. Miss Mahon spent ten days with us in November, and Miss Barge five weeks in the spring. All these women have added much to the growth and enlarged interest in the work. Eleven new organizations were formed and much good accomplished.

Our Deaconess Home is in good condition. The new addition will make it a modern, up-to-date Home. The Travelers' Aid Work at the Union Station is a help and comfort to many travelers, rich and poor. Three deaconesses cared for 160 children at the Fresh-air Home at Leetsdale during July and August. Our deaconess cottage at Ridgeview Park was repainted and repaired, and proved a great comfort to our workers this year.

The work in the coke regions has been faithfully carried on by our two trained missionaries, who work all year, and our Miss Cameron, who works two months during school vacation. Two Bohemian girls graduated from the Cleveland Training-school, and they, with several others, are inmates of the Home in Uniontown.

The Elizabeth A. Bradley Children's Home at Hulton, Pa., is full of happy, healthy children, responding to the love and care given them by our Superintendent, Mrs. Eyster.

The Secretary of Supplies reports more and better boxes and barrels this year than last.

The Temperance Department is doing good work.

The Secretary of Literature reports the distribution of 1,756 leaflets, 6,300 Thank-offering envelopes, 250 membership cards, 300 programs, 28 booklets, 230 books, 14 sets quadrennial reports; money received, \$125.89; expended, \$116.42; 149 Reading Circle Certificates.

The work among the young people is growing, and the outlook encouraging. Despite the financial depression, we feel we have done well.

MRS. EDWARD H. UTLEY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

PUGET SOUND.

Could the details of the consecration, devotion, and sacrifice made by the elect women who have labored for the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Puget Sound Conference be fully told, they would read like a romance. While the Stickney Indian Home at Linden, Wash., has been the distinctive work of the Conference Society, there are those in schools and homes in Alaska, Arizona, Hawaiian Islands, Utah, San Francisco, Washington, D. C., Porto Rico, the great South Land, and other places where the money and prayers of the faithful women of this Conference have brought help and encouragement to many people.

In 1880, before the first note of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Puget Sound Conference had been sounded, Mrs. Lucy Webb Hayes, the first President of the National Society, visited the Pacific Coast and set in motion the first waves of influence for the great work.

When the Puget Sound Conference was held in 1887 the Home Missionary sentiment was crystallized into the organization of a Conference Society. The next year the first anniversary meeting of the Society was held and the total amount of the funds was \$160. The next glimpse that we get is in 1891, when a complete Conference organization was

made. In this same year an Auxiliary was formed. The full organization of the districts was effected in 1900 and has been continued, until now we have thirty-one Auxiliaries, with a membership of eight hundred and seventy-nine members. We have fourteen Queen Esther Circles, with a membership of one hundred and seventy-five. Eight Home Guard organizations, with one hundred and seventy-seven members. The growth has been remarkable, and we hope to make this the banner year.

MRS. WILBUR ADAMS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ROCK RIVER.

While the reports for the year in Rock River Conference do not show as great gain as we had hoped, we are greatly encouraged, for there are indications of increased interest in every department of our work.

We have had no Organizer in our Conference the past year; sickness and other circumstances making it necessary for us to release Misses Barge and Evans from the engagement we had with them for the month of March, and no other Organizer was available.

Mrs. Williams was with us for a rally, which was held in St. James Church, November 26th. It was stormy and too near to Thanksgiving Day to get out a large number of our women, but those who heard her were pleased and profited. Mrs. Williams was with us again in May to look over our Conference work at Marcy Home and elsewhere, and saw at close range the increasing needs in our great city and Conference.

While there she went to Evanston, where she met with the wives of the students of Garrett Biblical Institute, and after presenting the interests of our work to them they asked for an organization as an Auxiliary. We feel that the influence of this organization will be of great value, as these women go out to serve in various fields as pastors' wives.

Besides this, we have organized five other new Auxiliaries. We have undertaken new work in a number of places in our Conference, one of the most interesting being the work for the Jews at Marcy Home. (See Marcy Home Report.) New work has been undertaken in several fields, and we are planning for still greater things.

The work for our Young People and the Children's Work have prospered.

Mrs. Salter's work with the children has grown, and her Jessie May Keiser Outing Fund, which provides outings for the children in our missions, has become very popular. A result of this work during the year has been a camp meeting in one of our rural mission fields, that gives promise of rich harvests.

The Reading Circle interests have advanced, and we find a greater demand for the literature than ever. The Supply Work is also increasing, as our women read and in that way realize the good it does.

The Day of Prayer was observed in one district. The work of each of our missions was presented and prayer offered for each. It proved a most uplifting and profitable day.

We are looking forward with hope for greater results in the year to come, especially for the great "Forward Movement" for the love of Christ and in His name.

MRS. J. M. G. CARTER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ST. JOHN'S RIVER.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the St. John's River Conference is sincerely grateful for the encouraging outlook for the coming year. In a field not considered to be ready for Missionary Societies we have organized one Home Guard Band in Jacksonville, with ten members, and though only six months old, it has ten subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*, has paid \$2 dues and \$5 for books for Rebecca McCleskey Home. Our loyal Queen Esthers at St. Augustine have sent \$9.30 dues, a barrel to a needy pastor in North Carolina, and \$25.26 to Ritter Home for a carpet, and are helping to arouse interest for an Auxiliary in St. Augustine. Our two Auxiliaries, De Land and Jacksonville, have paid up their dues, paid \$10.75 thank-offering, and \$29.90 to Rebecca McCleskey Home and \$5.50 to the Building Fund. Have twenty-seven subscribers to the *Woman's Home Missions*. We have the promise of another Auxiliary and a Queen Esther Circle this fall.

Thanking God for the blessings of the past year and trusting Him for guidance, we gladly take up the work for the coming year.

(Mrs.) C. B. G. Fox, *Corresponding Secretary*.

ST. LOUIS.

In looking over our past year's work, I find that we have held our own in spite of the fact that many of our Churches have been obliged to meet their own heavy obligations; for we are in an era of new churches. Much faithful, consecrated work has been accomplished.

Our Conference has needed help in the way of supplies, and we have stood loyally by it. Eight hundred and seventeen dollars have been expended in boxes for our needy ministers.

Very much praise is due Mrs. Charles Gabelman, Conference Supply Secretary, for her faithful work in this department.

Our special work has been Porto Rico, Honolulu, Alaska, Navajo Mission, Pottawatomie Indians, Tucson, Ariz., Adeline Smith Home, Bennett Home, Harwood Home, Ritter Home, Fisk Training-school, Mitchell Home, Cunningham Orphanage, Japanese Kindergarten, Burge Hospital, Mothers' Jewels Home, and Rebecca McCleskey Home. Our mite-box money amounted to \$170.96.

We have been helped this year by Miss Mahon, who so kindly came to us in our extremity, visiting our outstanding districts and organizing Springfield District. Later, Miss Elizabeth Evans, Secretary of Young People's Work, addressed our Kansas City District Meeting most effectively. A large number of ladies were in attendance.

The evening was devoted to a Queen Esther rally. Independence Avenue Queen Esthers and Home Guards received the flags for the largest amount of money raised among the Circles.

Miss Evans gave an inspiring talk to our young people.

A fine interest has been aroused among our Queen Esthers and Young People's Societies by Mrs. C. Y. Swanwick, our District Secretary of Young People's Work. She has the rare faculty of getting the hearts of our young people.

We have been able to place in one of our Kansas City Homes a little girl from Cunningham Orphanage. She is under the best of Christian influence. At the same time, with her sweet gentleness, she has already cheered and made glad the new Home.

We had a very interesting Conference Anniversary at the seat of the Annual Conference, Sedalia, Mo.

Miss Evans was with us, and gave a profitable and helpful address. Later we organized there an Auxiliary of fourteen members.

Our departments are all doing their work well, and our women are realizing more and more the importance of every line of work. The interest we feel is growing. We have a creditable list of subscribers to *Home Missions*.

During the coming year we are planning to raise our amount of the Building and Improvement Fund. I wish to thank all the officers throughout the Conference for their kind and earnest help during the past year. We are hopeful, despite discouragements, and are looking forward to greater prospects the coming year.

MRS. C. B. SPENCER, *Corresponding Secretary*.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

In passing this milestone in the history of the Southern California Conference Society we rejoice that so much has been accomplished. We have advanced in every department of our work. Our call for doubling our membership has not been met as a Conference, but in many Auxiliaries we are able to report more than a doubling; in one instance, Arlington, Riverside, a quadrupling.

Our total membership this year is an increase of one thousand over last year in Auxiliaries, a gain of 364 in Queen Esther Circles, a substantial increase in Home Guards, and a larger increase in Mothers' Jewels.

Our Treasurer reports an increase of \$7,000 over last year, which makes us for the third year in the lead of all the Conferences of Methodism.

Our Frances DePauw School has had a successful year. Over sixty girls have been enrolled. The finances are in good condition. The dormitory has been finished, so that ten or twelve more girls can be received next year.

A Japanese Home has been opened under the wise management of Miss Mabel Anderson, Superintendent, which will be a great help in her work among this people. The poor, downtrodden women of Chinatown smile their welcome as Miss Banks pushes open the door of their dark hovels and greets them in the name of Christ. Many a poor slave girl owes her life to Miss Banks, and dozens of them owe their salvation through Christ to her simple presentation of the gospel story.

The chapel for the Yuma Indians has been completed, and Sunday-school and preaching services are held, with an attendance of fifty. The missionary has ministered to their physical needs, also, from the free dispensary; while his wife has been field matron, visiting the homes and helping the women to care for the young, the sick, and the old.

Our deaconess work and our new hospital are a great credit to our Society; twelve deaconesses doing splendid service. A hospital costing \$25,000 just opened, of which you will hear more in the future.

Thirty thousand leaflets have been distributed and 350 books sold. All our pledges have been met. Our sympathies are as broad as our land and her provinces, and we are doing something for every race of people within our borders.

Your Conference Secretary has given a year of service to the Master through your Society. She has traveled 10,000 miles, made 85 ad-

dresses, organized 18 societies, added 300 new members, and increased the interest and membership in societies; gained subscriptions to our papers, and added to the funds of the Society \$3,000; addressed ten district meetings and two Annual Conferences.

MRS. P. H. BODKIN, *Secretary*.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

Southern Illinois greets you with rejoicing, for this has been our best year thus far. We have gained Auxiliaries, under the efficient service of Mrs. M. Libbie Allen, at Billett, Patoka, Vandalia, Loy Chapel, and reorganized at Donnelson. A Queen Esther Circle at Loy Chapel.

One good woman at Effingham, believing in our slogan, "We can, and we will," organized an Auxiliary in her home Church. Our women at Murphysboro organized a splendid Queen Esther Circle at their Church.

Then again, the energetic pastor's wife at Marion, not content with Queen Esther and Mothers' Jewels, organized a band of Thomson's Home Guards, and by the efforts of these faithful women the work goes on.

We have reported in the Conference 36 Auxiliaries—total membership, 905. Twelve Queen Esther Circles—total membership, 235. Six Home Guards—total membership, 129. And four Mothers' Jewels—total membership, 124.

There are 320 *Women's Home Missions* and 119 *Children's Home Missions* taken.

The Reading Circle Work is steadily gaining under the efficient Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Mitchel.

Last year we reported eight life members; to this number we add three this year.

Our Conference Treasurer reports an advance, and our Supply Secretary an advance of \$1,000 over last year. The Silver Offering has been completed at last, and we are the happy possessors of the flag with the streamers.

We are now ready to join in the Building and Improvement Fund, and hope to do our part in this. Only one-half of our districts are organized. We held our Conference Convention in Olney, August 26th and 27th, with the largest number of delegates that have ever attended any of our Conference meetings. The reports were fuller, showing an advance along all lines of work. The convention will be held in Mt. Vernon next year.

We regret the removal from our Conference of our Young People's Secretary, Mrs. J. F. Daniels, who goes to Wichita, Kan.

Miss Margaret F. Bell, our faithful Deaconess of East St. Louis, enjoyed a much-needed rest, visiting different places in California.

Miss Lillian E. Bishop is doing excellent work in Mt. Vernon. East St. Louis and Mt. Vernon feel that they could not do without either of these good servants of God. Miss Blanche Kinison, our graduate from Fisk, will go to Dr. McAnnally's Church in Springfield.

This year Upper Alton, a new Auxiliary, has doubled its membership. Trenton is the only first-class Auxiliary taking more *Woman's Home Missions* than Upper Alton.

We have done what we could, and we leave the results of year's work with God.

MRS. D. P. MOORE, *Corresponding Secretary*.

SOUTH KANSAS.

The work in this Conference suffered the past year because of the failure to hold any regular conventions. As a great missionary rally was to be held in May, it was thought best to hold the Conference Convention in connection with it, but it did not prove successful.

We of the Middle West are not so highly favored as others in having any of the general officers near enough to visit and encourage us; and we counted it a great privilege indeed to see and hear our beloved Mrs. Williams and Miss Bancroft at the missionary rally. We were glad so many of the ministers of the Conference could hear them.

Two Auxiliaries and three Circles were organized during the year. Two Circles have each pledged a scholarship for this year. Our most enthusiastic worker among the Queen Esther Circles is the Conference Secretary for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Miss Evans spent two weeks in April with us, doing splendid work. When, with but two more dates to fill, her voice failed, she was compelled to give up the work. We had hoped and planned for her return in October, but God willed otherwise, and although disappointed and somewhat discouraged, we will not murmur.

During part of the year five deaconesses have been at work in the Conference. At present there are three.

Fisk Training-school is in high favor with pastors and people.

For the first time in the history of our Society the work will be presented at three of the four District Ministerial Conventions.

With about the same number of members, there has been sent to the general treasury \$300 more than in any previous year, and so amid many discouragements we have some things for which we thank God and take courage.

(MISS) MARY A. SMITH.

SOUTHWEST KANSAS.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of Southwest Kansas Conference is growing. We are working in hearty sympathy with the forward movement, and during the year several new Auxiliaries and Circles were organized. The twentieth Conference Convention was held in June, with a large attendance of delegates from both Auxiliaries and Circles. The Treasurer's report showed that our pledges have been more than met. The Department Secretaries have been active and enthusiastic, and as a result the reports show a marked increase. Our pledges for the new year have been increased.

Mrs. John W. Bush, of Kansas City, Mo., was with us at our Convention, and the very large audience was charmed and instructed by the efficient manner in which she presented the work of Home Missions.

Interesting meetings were held in five of the six districts during the year. Reports presented showed the faithful work and the results accomplished. The Missionary Rally, held in May, when Mrs. D. L. Williams and Miss Henrietta Bancroft were with us, did much to awaken interest in Home Missionary work.

Our Conference Anniversary was a decided success, both as to interest and attendance. I am glad to report that with the approval of the General Deaconess Board the full two years' course of study will be given at the Wichita Deaconess Home and Training-school for those who wish to become deaconesses. We now have seven deaconesses at work in the Conference, and as many more could be used. We are pray-

ing that many of our own girls may hear the call and consecrate their lives to His service.

Most earnestly do we ask God's blessing to rest upon our efforts, and that much may be accomplished "for love of Christ and in His name."
(MRS.) NETTIE TEDRICK, *Corresponding Secretary*.

TENNESSEE.

It is with much pleasure we present to you this our first report. We have tried to go forward in His name. The outlook for the year gives promise of larger results.

Three districts have been organized, with several Auxiliaries, and wherever we have gone we found the people anxious to know more about the work of the Society. We regret that we could not reach all of the districts before making our report. We want to do better work, striving to have a larger membership with a better knowledge of the work.

Another year will demand new life and new courage, laden with new opportunities.

We feel sure that the establishment of a Deaconess Training-school in connection with Walden University will be an inspiration to the Conference.

We have a movement planned by which we hope to make an excellent report towards the amount requested by our Supervisor of Colored Deaconesses.

Miss Garrison was with us during the year, and her talks were helpful and inspiring.

Pray for us, that we may come to you at the next Annual Meeting with rejoicing. MRS. E. W. S. HAMMOND, *Corresponding Secretary*.

TEXAS.

In presenting the report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Texas Conference, I take great pleasure in saying to this body of Christian women that more and more we feel the need of this great work among us, and our women are awakening to their duty to this Society.

We have our difficulties and discouragements, but all over the Conference can be found good, loyal women, earnest in every endeavor, who are praying and working that the time will not be long when every charge in the Texas Conference can boast of a well organized Woman's Home Missionary Auxiliary.

As our history develops we are forced into a wider world of activity, and, as we go, the Church must see that the civilization which we carry is filled with the spirit of the gospel. We will continue to tell of the great good that is being done by this Society, and will do what we can to strengthen it spiritually, financially, and numerically.

There are six districts within this Conference, and each held profitable district meetings during the past year. The district officers are endeavoring to systematize the work, and have everything done in an intelligent and business-like way.

There was an increase in our past year's report, and we have entered into the work for this year with renewed efforts. We are endeavoring to reach that high Christian life which only can be reached by helping our more unfortunate sisters.

Within our Conference is situated beautiful King Home. Beautiful for the characters that have gone from under its roof. Our girls leave this Home better prepared for life's work, and to make the lives and homes of others brighter. We are justly proud of this Home, and for the superintendents and teachers sent to us.

The immediate need of King Home is more room. Our women have been sending some money for the past three years to help build an annex, that a greater number of girls may be accommodated. Every year there are dozens of girls turned away from the Home because there is no room for them. We are not forgetful of the many other needs of the Society, but an annex for King Home has become a real necessity.

We want to make King Home so beautiful and commodious that every member of the Society will be delighted to visit us.

Our one great desire is that our work shall increase in interest, and all that we do may be "For the love of Christ and in His name."

MRS. W. H. LOGAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TROY.

As our reports for July came in we were pleased with the increase in membership—not especially large in any one Auxiliary, but a few added to nearly every one. This can be accounted for in two ways: first, a good many of our Auxiliaries are really working hard to increase the membership—"double it;" and second, Miss Corbin has spent some time in the Conference—visiting a large part of our Societies—speaking in Churches where there are no Auxiliaries (in one such church securing fifteen Conference members); in fact, speaking whenever and wherever she could, and where she could not win members for our Woman's Home Missionary Society, most certainly won friends for Miss Corbin. Through her efforts we have four new Auxiliaries and one Queen Esther Circle, thus adding about two hundred to our membership.

One of our five districts has been laboring under great disadvantages—being for some time without a president—in fact, has had to change nearly all of its officers. However, the district is now well officered and ready for work, and we trust will soon recover from the ill-effects such a change produces.

As a Conference we have met all our obligations—while some of our pledges have been far overpaid. Have raised on our cash supplies \$500 over last year, while last year we were \$500 ahead of the previous year, so you see we are gaining well there.

Our work has been represented by four district meetings, a summer meeting at Round Lake, a day at our Annual Conference, and a Conference Convention, where we were delighted with Miss Benedict and her two little Aleuts, and Miss Lake with the Japanese baby.

For some reason hard to understand Troy Conference has few Reading Circles. yet far the greater number of our Auxiliaries are using that literature in their regular programs.

Our E. W. Griffen Deaconess Home and Open Door Mission is still doing good work. As its work becomes better known through the Conference, we have less and less trouble and worry over meeting its expenses. Last spring we had an "at home" in our Home for two days, different Auxiliaries taking the honors of hostesses, at different times, thus all had a pleasant time, and many became more interested in the work. Several of our Auxiliaries are supporting, or helping to support, a deaconess in their own church.

Thus we came up nearly to the time of our Annual Convention of 1909, which will come directly after our delegates return from Los Angeles, and we are expecting great returns from them.

Mrs. M. B. HURTON, *Corresponding Secretary*.

UPPER IOWA.

Upper Iowa Conference has shown a healthy growth in membership and interest the past year, due to an increasing knowledge of the needs of this great work. On returning from the Annual Meeting at Philadelphia, the Corresponding Secretary passed on the knowledge and inspiration gained there by giving addresses at District Conventions, Auxiliary meetings, and Church services as far as time and strength would permit. This summer we were privileged to have as speaker at our District Meetings Mrs. Nasmyth, Superintendent of the Adeline Smith Home. The information gained, the enthusiasm and interest aroused by these addresses can not fail to be of lasting value. There are already indications of a larger fruitage for the coming year.

We are convinced that it is ignorance of the needs that makes our women lacking in interest and niggardly in their giving. Therefore it will be our policy for the coming year to educate the people along all lines of missionary work by means of National Organizers, consecrated Conference officers, and suitable literature.

I bespeak a most successful year under the leadership of our incoming Conference Secretary, Mrs. W. C. Hayward, of Davenport, Iowa.

(Mrs.) EMMA RIDLEY COLGROVE.

UTAH MISSION.

Utah has the unique and not altogether enviable position of being the smallest of the regularly organized and working Conference Societies, but we are moving slowly onward. We rejoice in a slight advance along all lines this year, and believe and pray that the year 1909-'10 will be the best in the history of the Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliaries in Utah, especially if our ever-changing population will but bring in a few Home Missionary workers. Utah is said to be "the hardest mission field in the world," and the longer one lives here the more it is realized; but it is a beautiful country with a wonderful climate, and the time will surely come when God's people will prevail.

Our report of five Auxiliaries—membership of eighty-one, one Queen Esther Circle, one Home Guards Band, and two Mothers' Jewels Bands, and our financial report of \$672 seems small by comparison, but we feel it is doing pretty well for Utah.

Miss Davis's visit with the Chinese children was a source of great inspiration to us, giving, as it did, such tangible evidence of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

We hope to aid the Chinese work to some extent this year, but have only pledged to continue the support of the boy whom we have had for some years in the Mothers' Jewels Home at York, Neb.

Our Annual Meeting, August 26th, was held during the session of the Conference, and was very successful.

We have a new kind of Auxiliary, one organized among the missionaries and deaconesses stationed in Utah. They have been organized

one year, and give promise of great success, making just the link needed among the workers.

Pray for Utah, that Christianity and not Mormonism may prevail.

MRS. G. W. McCREERY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

VERMONT.

As we review the work of the twenty-fifth year of our Conference organization, we find much to encourage. In November a pleasant and interesting annual meeting was held in Waterbury. For our Conference Anniversary we had the privilege of again welcoming Miss Mahon, who inspired all who heard her. District meetings were held, with much interest manifested. The needs of Barre Mission were ably presented at Riverside Camp Ground by Miss Slocum, deaconess of Barre Mission, and by Rev. Wm. Shaw, at Lyndonville, with the gratifying results of an offering of \$100 from each place for the Barre Chapel. Mrs. Bass has spent a month in the Conference organizing new Auxiliaries and greatly strengthening those visited, adding more than one hundred new members.

Our pledges have all been met. By the payment of \$100, Mrs. A. L. Celly, Conference President, was made Honorary Manager. At the St. Albans District Meeting, Mrs. William Shaw was made a life member. Ruth Bowen and Elizabeth Abell have been made Junior life members.

Our special aim the coming year will be to increase our membership and subscriptions to papers, also realize the great need of interesting the young people and children in the grand work our Father has given us to do.

MRS. V. A. IRISH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WASHINGTON.

Through the efforts of our local Organizers (Mrs. Sarah B. Holmes and Eliza J. Cummings) our Auxiliaries have become better informed, and as a result interest in the work steadily gains every year.

God has abundantly blessed our labors along all lines and enabled us to pay more than we pledged.

Our dues this year show an advance of \$56.46; Student Aid an advance of \$40. On account of Silver offering we raised \$64.60. We feel encouraged that our entire proportion of \$390 will soon be paid. The amount raised for all sources this year is \$676.10.

It gives us great pleasure to mention that we sent a student to Thayer Home this year.

Our Secretary of Young People's Work has been active and alert, and six new Queen Esther Circles have been organized. These young people are life and inspiration to the work.

Our Secretary of Supplies had an encouraging report of the work done by the Auxiliaries.

District Meetings are held regularly, and plans for the betterment of our work are made.

Our ninth Annual Conference convenes October 1st to 3d. There is so much to stimulate us to larger obligations and continued endeavor from these annual gatherings!

(MISS) ANNIE R. JOHNSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST NEBRASKA.

We come to the close of the year with gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the progress in growth and efficiency. We are learning of and appreciating more the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Our Annual Meeting was held Wednesday afternoon, September 16th, at Kearney, Nebraska, the seat of our Annual Conference, Mother Collins presiding in her sweet way. God bless such a life! Mrs. M. E. Roberts, of Lincoln, gave the address. We were indeed inspired and encouraged; we hope to be aroused to greater activity by this stirring address. Mrs. Roberts is doing efficient work in our Conference. May her labors be crowned with great success! May we not in Nebraska become of one mind in Christ Jesus, until every fortress of sin is battered down and our streets and highways are safe for the feet of the boys and girls who shall come after us? The peace of God abide in our hearts and swell our lives into activities and accomplishments beyond our present realization.

MRS. BRYANT HOWE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST TEXAS.

Our Conference has been blessed in raising all pledges made at the Philadelphia meeting. We have met all requirements of our Conference beneficiary, who is fifteen years old. We have the full care of her, and much is paid out where no vouchers can be given.

At our anniversary, held in Victoria, November 14, 1908, we planned an emergency fund, and through this medium we hope to be of great help to the poor and needy of our Conference. We observed the Day of Prayer for the first time, and those present will never forget that day.

Our Eliza Dee Home is crowded to its utmost, and the work becomes better each year under our proficient Superintendent, Miss King. We are very anxious for the annex to the Home, and will not cease to ask until it is built.

I attended during the summer the five District Associations, raised \$200 for the Society, and sold \$14 worth of fancy work done by the girls in the Home.

My people are becoming more interested in the work, and we are at all times doing our best.

MRS. E. S. SPRIGGS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST VIRGINIA.

In the West Virginia Conference Home Missionary Society there has been a steady growth along all lines of work, and reports from the various departments show that there has been a united effort this year to make it the best year in the history of the work since the organization of the Conference ten years ago.

Oakland District, organized June, 1908, has held two Conventions. December 8th we met at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Oakland, Rev. J. B. Workman, pastor. It was most encouraging to us to have in the opening session of the Convention the ministers of all the Churches where we have organized societies, together with the District Superintendents, who form the Advisory Board for the district. The splendid address given by Dr. A. J. Huitt, of Moundsville, was much appreciated. On May 28th we again met at Blaine, and we had taken a step

forward, when, in response to the call for more workers, Miss Monemaw, of Mt. Lake Park, Md., answered to the call, and the district pledged her support at Rust Hall, where she goes to take the deaconess course. Miss Miner, a deaconess in the Travelers' Aid Work, was present, and we owe to her excellent presentation of the work the twenty-eight new members.

In March we held the first Convention for Morgantown District, meeting in the St. Paul M. E. Church, Grafton, Rev. L. W. Roberts, pastor, Mrs. R. B. Nay, our Conference President, presiding. It will go down in the history of our work as the first convention ever held in that district in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We had with us visitors from Wheeling, Oakland, and Buckhannon Districts. At this time Mrs. Hally L. Hill, of New York, General Organizer, was present, and to her we owe much praise for the very efficient work done in our Conference.

The Wheeling District Convention was held in June in the Thomson Church, Wheeling, Rev. Sterling Miller, pastor. It was not my privilege to be present, but reports from the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. O. G. Smith, show a continued interest, and the splendid address made by Mrs. Anna Elder, of Boaz, Ala., in the interest of her School, gave just the information all our societies in the Conference need, and the future will prove it was not in vain.

The third annual rally for the Young People's Work was held on April 10th in the Fourth Church, Wheeling, Dr. T. W. Lane, pastor. Miss Elva Anderson, Corresponding Secretary, deserves all praise for the splendid work this department has done, and after listening to Miss Carrie Barge's inspiring address we all felt that "God had indeed called us into His vineyard for such a time as this."

The Children's Bands and our Home Guards have not grown as we hoped. We are in need of leaders for this children's work.

Our Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. S. C. E. Lang, of Clarksburg, has not been idle, and our Society has, in a substantial way, brought comfort and cheer to more than a dozen of our faithful ministers.

So far as I can learn our pledges are almost fully paid. Some have been renewed. We hope to increase both the pledges and the membership.

As we review this year's work all has not been accomplished we had hoped and planned to do. Let us enter into the new year's work with deeper consecration to service. Thanking God for past blessings, let us trust Him for the future.

MISS LAURA JAMISON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST WISCONSIN.

In presenting this annual report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of West Wisconsin Conference it is with praise and thanksgiving to our Father for His wonderful love and care.

We have been gaining higher ground the past year. The interest is greater and farther reaching than ever before. Miss Nellie Snider has been with us at different times, giving us valuable service and inciting us to greater interest.

In May Miss Snider spent two weeks in two districts, organizing three Queen Esther Circles, and one district that had never been organized before. At this time plans were made whereby we have now a

most valuable stereopticon lecture on "The Great Need of Christianizing and Educating Our Indians in Northern Wisconsin."

We are indebted to Rev. E. L. Cooper for this lecture and the deep interest he manifests in our work.

All our Auxiliaries are doing all they can to help support a pastor to do evangelistic work among these Indians, and we hope at no distant day to establish a school in this mission field.

Our work has made advance along all lines. Our pledges have been met, two new Auxiliaries have been organized, five Queen Esther Circles, and three Jewel Bands. We also have a much larger subscription list to *Woman's and Children's Home Missions*. Our aim and prayer for the coming year is to interest many, many more of our ladies and young people in our Home Mission work.

(MISS) CARRIE HAZZARD, *Corresponding Secretary*.

WILMINGTON.

Another year's work as a Conference has passed into history. The results of our labor we must leave for future development. Financially our record is not found wanting. Our Treasurer reports pledges all paid and a larger amount paid to the general fund than last year.

We are glad to note an increase of membership, and to remember with appreciation the faithful work of Department Secretaries. The Young People's Work has not only reached the standard of former years, but exceeded it, both in the amount of money collected and in the number and activity of members. The mite-box has become a family name, helping to swell the grand total of our income. The Reading Course is a very important one, and not to be overlooked as a means of interesting workers. Our faithful Secretary keeps the "loan library" on her mind, allowing it to remain no longer in any one place than is necessary. Supplies have been sent to our Industrial Schools as well as to the frontiers South and West. The temperance workers have had something to encourage them in Delaware the past year, and our Secretary has talked, prayed, and distributed temperance literature by the thousand pages. After careful consideration it was decided to change the time of holding the Annual Conference Meeting from March to November. This course gave two meetings the past year. At the November meeting we had the great pleasure of having with us our General Secretary, Mrs. D. L. Williams, whose most excellent address has borne fruit in increased interest among our women. In May it was our good fortune to have Miss Cartes K. Swartz come into the Conference to secure students and aid for our National Training-school and our Deaconess Home. Not only has she succeeded in giving our people information along all lines of home missionary work, but has organized seven new Auxiliaries, with nearly one hundred members, besides adding almost as many more to the older Auxiliaries.

A Mason & Hamlin organ, an abundance of supplies (from most unexpected sources) have been received at the Deaconess Home, in addition to the cash receipts.

We have kept no account of the many kindly visits Miss Swartz has made to many homes in our city and Conference, and the full results of labor is known only to the Master, whom she so faithfully serves.

At the close of the coming year we will be able to report a larger increase in funds as well as of interest as a result of the seed sown the past months by Miss Swartz.

(MRS.) EMMA L. WELDON, *Corresponding Secretary*.

WISCONSIN.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Wisconsin Conference is glad to report another year of progress. The conviction is gaining ground in many parts of our State that the quickest way to evangelize the whole world is to evangelize our own America. The heathen of every clime are flocking to our shores and are ready to become messengers of glad tidings to those of their own color and tongue in the Old World.

Miss Nellie Snider spent a few days with our Auxiliaries, and also delivered the annual address at the session of our Conference in Kenosha.

All of our pledges for the year have been met.

Two districts were organized at our annual meeting in Appleton, in October.

Our Treasurer, Mrs. George Reynolds, reports a total of \$1,280.14 for the society.

Our Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. W. J. Allen, reports a valuation of \$251.41 of that which has been sent away.

The annual address at the Byron Camp Meeting was given by Mrs. John Taylor, of Milwaukee.

MRS. A. J. BENJAMIN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WYOMING.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of Wyoming Conference is able to report advancement in interest, membership, and funds. The Conference Officers have held meetings in two of the districts, organizing new Auxiliaries and reviving old ones. Mrs. Bass, National Organizer, has worked diligently and successfully in two unorganized districts, in one of which (Oneonta) she has formed a district organization, with eleven new Auxiliaries, having 263 members, as well as securing about 100 members for old Auxiliaries, and the officers of all the districts have done good work in their own fields.

The District Meetings have been of unusual interest and inspiration, and the Annual Conference Meeting in Scranton in November was pronounced by many to be the best ever held. Miss Carrie Davis was present with her band of Chinese children, and awakened lively and enduring sympathy and interest in the rebuilding of the Chinese Home in San Francisco. The pledge-taking was completed quickly and enthusiastically, the reports of the delegates to the Philadelphia meeting were full of important matter, told in an impressive way, and all the reports were encouraging.

At the Conference Anniversary in March, Mrs. I. D. Jones, of Cincinnati, made a delightful address on the general work of the Society to a large audience.

The Silver Anniversary offering is finally completed, with a surplus of about \$50, and there is a general advance over the previous year of \$475.

MRS. D. L. RHONE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT OF LITERATURE.

EDITOR "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

Woman's Home Missions, the little eight-page sheet begun in 1884, with a pledged subscription list of six hundred subscribers, now crosses the continent after this quarter of a century to say to its loyal friends that it has reached this year the highest mark yet attained in its subscription list. We leave the publisher to tell the story of the excellent advance, largely due to her intelligent and well directed effort.

While we have reason to believe that our paper, now grown to a twenty-four page publication, stands in point of subscriptions ahead of any woman's missionary publication, either Home or Foreign, "Forward" is still its aim, as it is of the great Society which it represents.

Dr. C. B. Spencer, editor of the *Central Christian Advocate*, said recently in that admirable paper that of the nearly two million women of Methodism at least one-half a million ought to be enrolled as learners in the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Our President, with far-seeing faith, looks forward to a subscription list of 50,000 in the near future, but when we reach our half million members of the Society we shall look for large advance upon this figure.

But it is not for a great subscription list that we plead so much as for a wider knowledge of conditions demanding our help, of clear understanding of the needs of our country, of opportunities for service, and results following such service which will furnish needed nourishment to make our Society a living force in evangelizing our land. The aim of *Woman's Home Missions* is to set forth conditions, needs, opportunities, and results so persistently and attractively that those who read will in time come to feel the needs and the opportunities as their own and to rejoice with a great joy in results of faithful work. We marvel often that so many Methodist women give their dollars to our work while knowing so little of it in detail. This tells a story of loyalty, but we covet the love and heart-interest and faithful prayers of these women, and this is why we plead with lovers of Home Missionary work to seek to extend the circulation of *Woman's Home Missions*.

Said our former editor, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, in her anniversary paper, read at the annual meeting in Philadelphia one year ago:

"*Woman's Home Missions*, small as it is, reached long since a permanent position as a factor in the coming glory—a civilization which St. John describes as the Holy City come down out of heaven. Therefore it is commended to your care."

Who can doubt, that as a diffuser of light on the needs of our country and the progress of great Home Missionary movements of our day, it is doing its part in bringing the Holy City down to earth? Our paper has its message, and it is a glorious one. Sisters, speed it on its way!

During the first half of the calendar year the fascinating study of "The Call of the Waters" has been followed, linking the chapters as far

as possible with our own fields of work. Other living topics have been studied during the remainder of the year. The special departments have been well cared for and a great variety of up-to-date information given on all lines of our work. Especially has the "Forward Movement" been exploited, and toward the successful issue of this campaign our pages are open to its friends.

The "Forward Honor Roll" has not made the brave showing on our pages that we had hoped. Doubtless many Auxiliaries which have doubled their membership have failed to report to the paper. As fire kindles fire so let us pass on this record of zeal and devotion, and wherever a society has doubled its membership send the good news to *Woman's Home Missions*, and thence to the thousands of women who may be thereby stimulated to a like endeavor.

Grateful thanks are hereby rendered for the aid of the many who have helped to brighten our pages and whose kind words of cheer and encouragement, coming from time to time to the editor's desk, have been as a cordial to stimulate to increasing endeavor.

May God hasten the day when the women, who are ready to tell the story of Christ's love and salvation in our own land as well as in foreign lands, become a great host, each working over against her own home and doing what her hands find to do with loving zeal and devotion!

(Miss) MARTHA VAN METER.

EDITOR "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

The Catholic Bishop, who said, "Give me the boy for the first six years of his life and he will be a Catholic all his life," was a wise man.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society, appreciating the truth thus aptly set forth, called the young people to its help at an early period in its history. Thus our Mothers' Jewels and our Mission Bands were organized here and there, and during all these years the children have been a real factor in the work for Christ and our country.

During one-half of our twenty-eight years as a Society the children have had their own paper, which, if we may judge by many letters which come to the editor's desk, has been a source of both pleasure and profit. True, there are those who complain that it is too "young," but these complaints are well balanced by others who declare that it is too "old." In the endeavor to provide a paper for children all the way from early Jewel age up to fourteen years, this editor knows no course but to endeavor to preserve the golden mean.

During the past year the study of "The Pioneers" has been greatly enjoyed by the Home Guards, and the helps and hints, to which a full page is given each month, have been of real value. Admirable plans have been made for the Junior Reading and Study Course for the coming year, which will be duly announced in both *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*. The Jewels will also be well cared for.

To the Jewels are still accorded the privilege of the printed page in which their names are recorded. This can not be granted to the Home Guards, owing to lack of space. Prominence is given on this page to the names of Jewel Life Members, made such by the payment of \$1 at one time. A Junior Life Membership at \$10 carries with it the privilege of having the picture of the child printed, providing the photograph is sent to the editor with a brief sketch of the child. Such memberships are easily secured at District and Conference Conventions. A goodly number of these memberships would add materially to our general fund, since

the ten dollars, following the course of membership dues, finds its way to that fund.

Any thoughtful student of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society can not fail to see that this arm of our service is far too weak. The children of the Methodist Episcopal Church are a great host, the number reaching into the millions. Not yet has our Society awakened to its opportunity for educating our youth in Home Missions. That our Jewels, which far outnumber the Home Guards, are not properly cared for and nourished becomes painfully apparent when we compare the numbers in each Branch. How serious the falling off! This ought not so to be. The little ones should be diligently sought and enrolled in our Jewel bands, lovingly and patiently trained and passed on to Home Guard membership upon reaching the age of ten years. This is being successfully done in many quarters, but in far too many Conference societies the work is evidently deemed of little consequence, if we may judge by results.

Jewels and Home Guards alike should be furnished with *Children's Home Missions*. It should be a vital part of the work of the Auxiliary as a nourishing mother to see to it that the little paper is in the hands of the children. If we make our young Methodist lovers of Home Missions before they are six years of age, they will probably be lovers of Home Missions as long as they live.

But this is a work which will not grow of itself. The Auxiliary, the District, the Conference, and the National officers should all come to the rescue, and by earnest word and helpful deed do their utmost to repair this serious breach in the walls of our Home Missionary Zion. The important thing is not that we have great numbers to report, or a great list of subscribers to our child's paper, but that we have the *children* while they are so young, and that we hold them to this sacred cause. And this means prayer and pains!

To this large company of deeply interested and devout leaders of our righteous cause we earnestly and prayerfully commend this work for the children.

(Miss) MARTHA VAN METER.

PUBLISHER "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance August 1, 1908		\$808 30
Subscriptions	\$11,832 36	
Advertisements	395 56	
		<u>\$12,227 92</u>

EXPENDITURES.

		<u>\$13,036 22</u>
Printing and mailing	\$7,999 45	
Office expenses (including special articles and printing circulars)	322 30	
		<u>\$8,321 75</u>
General Treasury (W. H. M. S.)		3,800 00
Cash on hand July 1, 1909.....		914 47
		<u>\$13,036 22</u>

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Number of subscriptions at close of July quarter, 1908.....	32,018
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PUBLISHER "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance August 1, 1908		\$125 84
Subscriptions	\$1,838 34	
Booklet	9 30	
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		\$1,973 48

EXPENDITURES.

Printing and mailing	\$1,904 74	
Office expenses	34 81	
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Cash balance on hand July 31, 1909.....		33 93
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		\$1,973 48

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HOME MISSIONARY READING CIRCLE.

The Conference Secretaries of the Reading Circle Bureau may be divided into three classes, viz.: Responsive, semi-responsive, and non-responsive.

In the first class are to be placed those who return blanks promptly ("may their tribe increase!") and tell something of plans for work and hope for the future.

Semi-responsive—Those who return blanks without the word of cheer; and the non-responsive, those who not only do not send the blanks, but fail to respond to even a second or third appeal.

Fifty-nine diplomas and one thousand certificates have been issued. It is recommended that owing to the expense the giving of certificates be discontinued.

"The Heart of the Stranger" and "Echoes from Oak Street" have been added to the course this year.

We bring to you the report of 28 Conferences, 10 being new ones, with a total of 4,467 readers, as follows: Philadelphia, 511; Central Ohio, 422; Central New York, 396; Rock River, 359; Southern Illinois, 322; Detroit, 264; Colorado, 244; New York East, 230; Pittsburg, 210; East Ohio, 177; Baltimore, 167; North Indiana, 166; California, 164; Ohio, 145; Central Pennsylvania, 135; Northern New York, 121; Wilmington, 101; Des Moines, 100; Illinois, 92; South Kansas, 82; Northwest Indiana, 75; New Jersey, 69; Minnesota, 57; North Ohio, 25; Northern Minnesota, 15; Wisconsin, 10; Columbia River, 6; Puget Sound, 164.

We rejoice over these "picked women" who are getting the vision of things to be done, of problems to be solved, and becoming strengthened and broadened for the work, but sorry that so small a per cent *read and report*. That many read and do not report we do not doubt. Mrs. Kemble, of New York, writes: "I can not see why people can not or rather will not be as methodical about the business of God's Kingdom as they are about the business of this world." Beware of how we do the Lord's business negligently!

Another Secretary writes: "We are circulating the Reading Circle books and report increased interest in our work and new members gained. At one place a lady stopping at the hotel read a Home Missionary leaflet and sent the Auxiliary of that place \$5. We find the traveling leaflet pocket-book the best way of promoting the use of our literature."

A Conference Corresponding Secretary writes: "As I get older in the work and come more in contact with the women of our Conference, I realize more and more the necessity of our people reading the literature, so that they will be more in sympathy with the calls for increased apportionments, and I am trying to persuade our women to read."

Charles Sumner said: "In order to attain success in life three things are necessary. First, backbone; second, backbone; third, backbone;" and so in order to attain success and do the best work in this great Society, three things are necessary—First, Read; second, READ; third, READ—spell it with a capital and long-drawn out.

This is a *living issue*, not a *dead cause*. Do you wonder that the Conference that has for its Secretary a woman who writes: "We are trying to make our Conference Society an intelligent, well-informed—no, *more* than that, a cultured missionary society; otherwise, as I see it, it will not endure," shall carry off the banner?

Perhaps there is something in the air of the Keystone State that makes its women read, since the banner goes from Pittsburg Conference to Philadelphia Conference, which is to be congratulated on having for its Reading Circle Secretary Mrs. J. B. Jones.

The prophet of old said: "My people perish for want of knowledge."

We are told that in the New Testament Scriptures that after teachers come miracles.

May we all be teachers!

MRS. COTTON MATHER, *Secretary*.

GENERAL SECRETARY OF LITERATURE.

The work of the General Secretary of Literature the past year has been mainly correspondence and attempts to get definite records of literature distributions. About two hundred letters have been written besides uncounted postal cards, and other responses to requests of varying nature have been made. Results are of course unknown.

Between six and seven hundred report blanks have been sent out. Of these only ten have come again duly filled. Numbers of Conference Secretaries were urgent in asking for large and early supplies, yet found it impossible to get any return for the making up of a sum total.

After two years' trial it is borne in on the mind of the present Secretary that any statistical reports of value to the Society as indications of the spread of literature are *not* obtainable through the office of a General Secretary. Hundreds of devoted local Secretaries are at work, wisely and effectively, but not one of them can foretell the fate of the elusive report. It gets itself mislaid; it gets itself lost; it gets itself forgotten. But it only gets itself to the fulfillment of its final purpose by a combination of fortunate circumstances too rare to be practically useful. The only unfailing source of information as to the circulation of our supplies is the report of our offices, from which go the inspiring books, leaflets, and other printed matter of the Society.

It is my conviction that there is a growing interest in our literature. It has been a pleasure to learn by friendly letters how earnestly the Secretaries of Literature desire to do their full duty. It has been a pleasure to try to aid, and if that is impossible, still to be interested and in sym-

pathy with the far-away difficulties which caused, sometimes, great discouragements to earnest workers. The expenditure of time and thought by a General Secretary of Literature can accomplish, under present circumstances, little more than this. The real work is in the various Auxiliaries and District and Conference Societies. What *they* do the record of sales and other distribution, which the Department of Literature preserves, can show. It is a mighty work and an increasing influence.

MRS. GEORGE ARCHIBALD PALMER.

GENERAL PUBLICATIONS.

Figures, at the best, are but half-hearted allies. They reveal nothing of the difficulty of deciphering blind orders, of the guesses or the correspondence necessary in interpreting indefinite statements, nor of the patience and loving care that is folded in the wrappings or tucked into the envelopes, and the over-running of "office hours," heedless of all save that the work be done.

But figures have a story to tell, and this year they are intrusted with a better one than ever before, for the records show that we have made in receipts a gain of 34.8 per cent over last year. We rejoice in this, but the matter of disbursements is a different story. More sales means more wrapping paper, more twine, more envelopes, more help; and with the increased demand for "pay" supplies comes a corresponding call for those sent out for the cost of postage alone. And the more "free-for-postage" leaflets, the more printing to be paid for, making it impossible to reckon a profit in dollars and cents.

But the profit in wider knowledge of our work, in increased interest and greater enthusiasm, may be judged from the gain of about sixteen per cent in leaflets sent out. Last year we reported "over three-quarters of a million pieces to be gathered, counted, wrapped, stamped, recorded, and mailed." This year the total is 887,868, or an increase of over 100,000.

We especially rejoice in the remarkable gain in the number of Auxiliaries and young people's societies that are following the regular course of study, with its text-book and Lesson Helps. We sent out last year from the New York office about three hundred sets monthly. We have at that office to-day about nine hundred prepaid subscribers on the corresponding list, while the other offices increase the total to about fifteen hundred, with every indication of a still greater number next year. "Nothing succeeds like success," and the general use of these Helps in Auxiliary and Circle meetings is sure to react favorably on our work. In no other way can our Societies secure so good and so complete a knowledge of what the Woman's Home Missionary Society has done and is doing, as by following out the program provided in *Woman's Home Missions*, with the assistance of the Lesson Helps.

We have issued during the year, in round numbers, 410,000 new leaflets, and reprints of 100,000, at a cost of over \$2,000 for printing alone. Of these, eleven have been especially prepared in the interest of the Forward Movement, seven on the general work, three for the Deaconess Department, twenty-two for Bureau work, with about half a dozen especially for the young people and the children. Forty thousand special membership cards and 14,600 special offering envelopes for the young people have been demanded by the Forward Movement. The little mite-boxes, seeming so small individually, should bring in large sums of money, for they have cost over \$570, to say nothing of the postage that our good friends sometimes forget to pay.

The Calendars, introduced with some anxiety last year, met with such unexpected welcome that we suffered from an "embarrassment of riches" in the number of orders. We found it necessary to raise the price a trifle this year, but have provided enough, we believe, to meet the demand. The *Daily* issued at our last Annual Meeting met with acceptance that warrants a similar issue at the meeting in Los Angeles. "Handicraft," the charming book of handwork for our children's societies, is winning its way. Our first attempt at "book printing" appears in true Chinese colors, its bright vermilion binding drawing attention to "The Rescue of Suey Ling," a story repeated in its essential details in many a life that has been blessed by the loving, sheltering care of our Chinese Home.

Six thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine dollars and forty-eight cents has been received at the several offices for supplies during the year. A still larger amount has been required to meet the costs of printing and current expense. In this business—for it is a business, and must be looked at from the business standpoint—every member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is a partner. She should not be a "silent partner." Partnership implies responsibility, and all should share in the expenses. In other words, if our literature is not to be a drain on the general treasury, we must have more orders for the "pay" supplies, for on these we depend for means wherewith to print the "free-for-postage" leaflets. It is for our partners to determine, by their orders, whether the latter shall be decreased in number and quantity, or issued so as to meet the constantly increasing demands of the work.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

SUPPLIES SENT OUT (FROM THE FOUR OFFICES).

Leaflets	616,794
Booklets	15,337
Text-books ("Call of the Waters")	5,084
Other books	1,118
Calendars	26,500
Maps, cards, pictures, music	57,540
Mite-boxes	72,160
Badges	2,464
Dutch dolls	8,350
Thank-offering envelopes	82,521

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Receipts of the four offices (including amount on hand July 1, 1908)	\$6,859 48
Received for printing and stock from General Treasurer	1,172 02
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	\$8,031 50
Disbursements:	
Postage and express	\$1,383 69
Office supplies	307 94
Extra help (New York)	198 67
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	\$1,890 30

Miscellaneous:

Telephone	\$17 30	
Sundries—Telegrams, ice water, porter, etc.....	30 01	
Exchange on checks	6 84	
Expenses fitting up Boston office.....	12 25	
Refund check	3 60	
Cards for Seattle Exposition.....	5 00	
Printing	11 61	
Traveling and other expenses for Annual Meeting and Conventions	106 99	
(Refund on last two items included in receipts) (\$62.81)		
Reported from Boston and Chicago offices.....	48 02	\$241 62
Stock	3,527 65	
Printing	2,178 33	
Sent General Treasurer (from Cincinnati).....	76 36	
		<u>\$7,905 26</u>
Balance on hand		\$126 24
Inventory value (New York) stock.....	\$2,808 00	
Furnishings	225 00	
		<u>\$3,033 00</u>

(Miss) ALICE M. GUERNSEY, *Editor and Business Manager.*

THE COUNCIL OF WOMEN FOR HOME MISSIONS.

(INTERDENOMINATIONAL.)

The dream of seven years ago has become a reality, in the new power that has entered the field—the Council of Women for Home Missions. Already numbering representatives of nine denominational societies, it promises to gather to itself members from all the organized societies of women for Home Mission work, and thus be able not only to present a united front, but, through allied forces, to do that which no one society can do alone. Four summer Conferences are already under its general supervision—each being distinct and independent so far as its own work and plans are concerned—and others are seeking its aid in beginning their work.

With the formation of the Council the Home Mission Study Course Committee, which has carried forward the text-book work for the first cycle of years, becomes a committee of the Council. The new organization, unifying and magnifying the plans for the interdenominational Day of Prayer, seeks also to extend our work in colleges, schools, and the various Chautauqua and other summer gatherings, it makes possible, by placing the stamp of its approval on leaflets, more economical provision for literature that all denominations may use, besides seeking, in all reasonable ways, to promote "Home Mission comity and co-operation."

Union, practical if not organic, is the watchword of the hour. Our own General Conference felt the thrill of its magic influence in its last session, and the great Epworth League Convention of the current summer not only welcomed to its councils the members of similar Leagues in the Church South and in Canada, but gave emphatic voice to the wish

to have all branches of Methodism united under one banner to fight a common foe.

The Home Mission women of the Churches have never been laggards in the onward march of the King's forces. Six years ago, when the first text-book—"Under Our Flag"—was offered to our constituency with fear and trembling, it bore the approval of our comrades of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in its treatment of the Negro problem under the title, "A Race in Transition." Five years later the same topic in slightly different form was presented in "Citizens of To-morrow," the subject-matter of the chapter on "The Children of the Sun" having been submitted, as before, to the workers in our sister Church, and approved by them.

These foreshadowings of unity have come to wonderful consummation in the text-book presented for our use in 1910—for it means more than we can easily express when the good women of the Church North and the Church South can come together in earnest, sincere, prayerful study of the Negro problem, using a text-book approved, after careful examination in manuscript, by the authorized representatives not only of Methodist Churches, but of the Baptist, Congregational, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Reformed, and Christian denominations. We shall not all agree with all that the book contains—but it will do us all good to get a different view-point, for as Dr. Ward Platt well says, "Neither the North nor the South has the monopoly of the truth on this subject."

We heartily commend this text-book to our Methodist constituency, with the full assurance that it will do great things, not only for the workers themselves in Auxiliaries and Circles, but for our work among the Negroes.

The interdenominational efforts of the past year may all be summed up in the assurance that they are in the line of fulfillment of the Master's prayer, "That they all may be one."

(MISS) ALICE M. GUERNSEY,
Secretary Methodist Episcopal Section.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

Twenty-five new names have been added to our list of missionaries this year.

All but *four* of these have been placed in our various fields of work. For many reasons there have been several changes in our force of workers.

The great need of this department, as of all others in this work for humanity, is consecrated women who feel called of God to take upon themselves the duties of a missionary, and, having found their place and work, to stay by it as long as there is need. In this way only can experience be gained and the best service rendered.

MRS. H. C. JENNINGS, *Chairman*.

CHAIRMAN OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING AT LOS ANGELES, CAL.,

OCTOBER 6-13, 1909.

It gives me pleasure in this, my first report, to pay tribute to the long and faithful services of Mrs. Wm. M. Ampt, my predecessor, and no one regrets her resignation more than I do. The duties of this year have been complicated, and we are indebted to experienced friends for the careful planning of this unusual pilgrimage; but if only a fraction of the good we hoped for is realized, it has paid.

We left our rendezvous, Chicago, on the evening of September 21st, ninety-one in number, others joining us *en route* until we entered San Francisco more than one hundred strong. A special train of six Pullman cars and our own dining and baggage cars, with banner on the rear of the train and with flags flying from each coach, it told the story along the way and excited much favorable comment. Railroad representatives of the various lines over which we traveled and our Pullman conductor, Mr. Jellison (who accompanied us all the way), cared for our comfort and safety, making us feel that they were indeed brothers with more than a business interest in our welfare.

As comrades we traveled these thousands of miles with the vision of a great mission before us, and without serious accident or illness. Surely our Father has shown His approval, and will bless our endeavors.

For the kindly considerations and courtesies extended, accept the sincere appreciation of your new Chairman of Transportation.

MRS. O. P. McCARTY.

RESOLUTIONS.

Into eternity has passed another year. Its records, successes, and possible failures are now to be found upon the pages we call history. Ours has been the making. Where we have failed may we be shown, and as we this day step into newer, greater possibilities, may our paths be ordered by Him, whose we are and whom we serve.

WHEREAS, We, the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, realizing our labors have not been in vain, that we have been permitted to minister to the distressed and needy of our land, and that the reward of service is sweet; we therefore

Resolve, That every Auxiliary double its membership and thereby give to others the rich blessing of saving our land for Christ.

Resolved, That we recognize as one of our strongest divisions the rank and file of our young people, and that we heartily recommend the establishing of these divisions in every Church and college when possible.

Resolved, That in order to enlighten and instruct the young people in our colleges, we indorse the recommendation of our National Secretary that a Standing Committee be appointed to study methods and plans whereby this important work may be presented.

Resolved, That in order to relieve the embarrassment of the treasury during the early part of the year, we recommend that September be dues-paying month, and our Treasurers be asked as far as possible to collect at once this obligation incurred by our members.

Resolved, That in order to maintain our buildings in good condition, we recommend the full payment of the Building and Improvement Fund.

Resolved, That we heartily indorse the *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, and urge the wide distribution of same; also, that the Auxiliaries, as far as possible, use the text-book, "From Darkness to Light," for the coming year.

WHEREAS, Many of the daughters of our Nation are sacrificed daily in the "white-slave traffic;" be it therefore

Resolved, That we do all in our power to stamp out this evil, which is so rapidly increasing, and which may threaten even the strongholds of our Christian Nation.

Resolved, That our hearty thanks be extended to the women of the Southern California Conference for the invitation so graciously extended to visit their land of sunshine and flowers.

To the Entertainment Committee, who, upon our acceptance of same, at once planned, worked, and perfected all arrangements for our comfort, and have carried out a new and most remarkable plan to a most successful issue.

To the Trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal Church who, through their excellent care of us, have so heartily advocated our cause.

To the minister, Dr. Locke, for his able assistance in every way.

To the ministers of the city who so graciously offered their pulpits that the work might be presented.

To the sweet singers who have so kindly given us of their talents, coming, at no small loss of time and money, that we might be lifted a little higher through the sermon of song.

To those under whose skilled touch the great organ has revealed its secrets.

To the press for its hearty co-operation with us in reporting daily our proceedings, and thus enabling the many friends at home to follow each day the progress of those at the front.

To the owners of automobiles who have placed at our disposal the most convenient, most speedy, and most luxurious means of travel.

To the ushers, the janitor, the postmistress.

To the friends of Pasadena and Long Beach and to any and all who have contributed to our happiness; and, last but not least, to our speaker of the evening, Dr. Samuel Dickie, who, by his masterly address, has inspired us to higher privileges, nobler duties, and greater responsibilities.

To the friends of Los Angeles.

Many of us may pass this way but once, but in leaving your gates may we write over its portals:

"Blessed is that people whose God is the Lord."

MRS. EDGAR M. BALENGER, *Chairman of Committee.*

MRS. A. P. HUBBELL.

MRS. S. A. BULLARD.

MRS. JOHN STEVENS.

ORGANIZATION.

(MRS. M. E. ROBERTS, FIELD SECRETARY.)

My report covers less than three months' work. I was unable, on account of ill-health and other reasons, to accomplish more.

I am very grateful to God that He let me do *something* for Him.

I have had the great privilege of working in the New York East and Detroit Conferences. I was delighted to become better acquainted with the able, earnest, consecrated women of these Conferences. They were so helpful and kind to me; I learned much from them.

Then, too, I had the very great pleasure of an abiding place in Brooklyn and New Haven Deaconess' Homes. Surely the Woman's Home Missionary Society has made no mistake in putting at the head of these Homes Miss Foster and Miss Arbuckle. They and their co-workers are earnest, self-sacrificing, spirit-filled young women. I learned much of their good work. My stay in these Homes was a benediction.

I also visited the Detroit Home, and hearing the reports of the great work they have done and are doing, I said, "Surely the half has never been told."

My time in the Detroit Conference was spent largely in district meetings, giving me little opportunity to visit Churches and organize Societies.

In all the Churches where I have been I have received a warm welcome from the pastors, and have been very graciously entertained by our members.

I am praying for a fresh baptism upon my own soul and the souls of all the women of our beloved Society.

I submit the following report, wishing it were far better:

Number miles traveled, 5,681; Churches visited having Auxiliaries, 35; number having none, 9; members secured, 227; number Queen Esther, 40; honorary members, 18; Home Guards, 5; total members, 290; Auxiliaries formed, 2, and several committees; subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, 31; to *Children's Home Missions*, 40; Mite-boxes given, 96; Jewel Boxes, 202; addresses and talks (parlor meetings, Epworth and Junior Leagues, Sunday-schools, etc.), 56; addresses at District Conventions, 10; at semi-Annual Convention, 1; Chautauqua, 1; Conference Annual Meeting, 1.

Secured pledges for two scholarships in the New York East Conference and \$50 cash for one in the North Nebraska Conference. Money paid in collections and scholarships, including two pledged scholarships, \$280.87.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

(MISS NELLIE H. SNIDER, FIELD SECRETARY.)

The work of the year was confined almost entirely to strengthening work already established. The accompanying statistics will give some idea of its scope and variety.

I record anew my grateful appreciation of unnumbered courtesies from pastors and people and my gratitude for the privilege of toiling for the Master.

Number of miles traveled, 15,981; addresses given, 243; Auxiliaries visited, 75; Churches having no Auxiliaries, 41; Thank-offerings taken, 10; Sunday-schools addressed, 10; Queen Esther Circles visited, 3; Home Guards, 3; number of Circles organized, 10; new members secured in Circles, 104; number of Home Guards organized, 1; new members secured in Home Guards, 30; number of Annual Conferences addressed, 5; Conference meetings attended, 7; district meetings attended, 16; number of missions visited, 3; Homes and Schools of Woman's Home Missionary Society, 11; other schools, 20; camp-meetings attended, 6; Epworth League meetings, 8; Junior League meetings, 3; revival meetings, 1; Woman's Christian Temperance Union meetings, 1; Woman's Foreign Missionary Society meetings, 1; Ministerial conventions, 2; Auxiliaries organized, 6; new members in Auxiliaries, 213; subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, 13; district organizations, 1.

(MRS. M. LIBBY ALLEN, FIELD SECRETARY.)

Again we come to the close of another year. I have not accomplished what I had hoped. I have only been able to be in the field two full months. However, most of my Sabbaths have been spent in the work. I have traveled more than six thousand miles, and organized 11 Auxiliaries, 4 Queen Esther Circles, 3 Home Guards, doubled the membership in 7 Auxiliaries, secured 97 subscribers for *Woman's Home Missions*; have raised in pledges and cash for Deaconess Homes, Training-schools, beneficiaries, and General Fund more than \$3,000.

The Home Missionary work is taking hold of the heart of the people as never before.

I would I could express my thanks for the many courtesies extended for words of kindness from National, Conference, and District officers, especially to our pastors who have given us their pulpits, and thus opened a way that the people may hear of the great need in our own land.

The mantle is gradually slipping from my shoulders, and I do pray that it may fall upon a more talented and consecrated servant of the Master.

(MISS MARY A. MAHON, FIELD SECRETARY.)

With Sojourner Truth I have been led to say, "O Lord, Thou hast started me out; now show me which way to go." The plain path has not failed. And so I have been privileged to serve in the following eleven Conferences: Northern New York, Pittsburg, New York, St. Louis, East Maine, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Central New York, Genesee, and Northern Minnesota.

From close-range work I come to this place of far vision, bringing my returns.

It has not been difficult to arouse interest, even enthusiasm, but to harness energy, to secure whole-hearted co-operation of women in organization has often been difficult. However, it is the *cost* of it all that makes compensation sweet.

Statistics must convey the details:

Traveled 15,461 miles; Conference Woman's Home Missionary conventions, 4; District Woman's Home Missionary conventions, 13; organized, 4; Woman's Foreign Missionary conventions, 2, and interdenominational rally, 1; District Epworth League conventions, 2; Ministerial conventions, 1; Auxiliaries organized, 10, with a membership of 163; Circles organized, 10, with a membership of 174; additional Auxiliary members secured, 408; Circle members, 62; subscriptions for *Woman's Home Missions*, 129; *Children's Home Missions*, 178; Sunday-schools addressed, 13; Epworth Leagues, 7; Junior Leagues, 3; Home Guards organized, 3, with a membership of 72; public addresses, 99; workers' conferences, 58; scholarships secured, 15; Junior life memberships, 2; cash offerings secured, \$1,308.18; King's Daughters' meetings, Association meetings, Seminaries, and Training-schools have afforded rare opportunities for presenting our work. They have responded splendidly. One young woman will take training as a deaconess this year.

In six of our institutions I have found a temporary home. In every case I have found rest and inspiration. Last, but not least, the "Forward Movement" has been constantly urged. In a few instances the membership has been doubled in a single meeting.

Literature has been widely distributed, Mite-boxes placed in large numbers, and the text-books introduced in many Societies.

The forward look reveals much land awaiting cultivation. "Let us go up at once and possess it, for we are well able to take it."

(MRS. H. L. HILL, FIELD SECRETARY.)

The time of service represented in this report is about nine and one-half months, a brief period of time, but one which included many opportunities for service. I count it as one of my life's blessings that I have had the opportunity of meeting in different sections of the country our grand, earnest women who are doing such valiant service for the Master. Also of meeting in the little out-of-the-way places the dear, plain, zealous women who are holding on in the midst of discouragements, and keeping alive in the hearts of a few interest in our work. It was my great privilege to represent our Board at the Eastern Student Conference of the Young Women's Christian Association, held at Silver Bay, June 26th-July 5th. In that great gathering of college girls, of pulsating life and energy, one feels overwhelmed with the vast opportunity for service in our great missionary cause.

I also had the privilege of attending the Conference of the Interdenominational Council of Women, held at Northfield, Mass., July 14th-21st. At such Conferences we gain much from the close insight into plans and methods used by the Societies of the other great denominations.

My special work for our own Society has been in the Central New York, Central Illinois, Des Moines, Newark, West Virginia, Cincinnati, Illinois, Erie, Idaho, Montana, and Black Hills Mission Conferences.

Have addressed six Annual Conferences.

The following is a brief statistical report:

Number of miles traveled, 15,539; number of missionary rallies, 2; number of Epworth Leagues addressed, 16; number of Sunday-schools addressed, 14; number of District meetings, 14; number of Conference meetings, 3; number of District Ministerial meetings, 4; Auxiliaries formed, 26; Queen Esther Circles formed, 24; Home Guards, 4; subscribers for *Children's Home Missions*, 23; subscribers for *Woman's*

Home Missions, 315; Auxiliary members secured, 395; Queen Esther Circle members secured, 342; total members secured (including honorary), 757.

(MRS. N. W. BASS, FIELD SECRETARY.)

During the latter part of the year just closing I have been able to be in the field three and one-half months. My work has been in Erie, Central New York, and Wyoming Conferences.

For wide-open doors, for responsive hearts among both pastors and people, for joy in service, and for most helpful and delightful fellowship, I am most devoutly thankful to my Heavenly Father.

I have spoken in 5 District meetings, 1 Conference convention, 1 grove-meeting, 1 camp-meeting, organized 1 District, 17 Auxiliaries, 4 Queen Esther Circles, 1 Band of Home Guards, visited 19 Churches having no Auxiliaries and organized 17, secured 626 Auxiliary members, 75 Queen Esther members, 16 Home Guards, 91 subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, 20 to *Children's Home Missions*, sold 20 text-books, and distributed 1,000 leaflets.

(MISS JOSEPHINE CORBIN, FIELD SECRETARY.)

As I come to the task of making out another annual report I, as always, feel like saying, "If I *could* only do the work and let some one else make out the report, what a comfort it would be!" Part of the year my health has been in such a condition that I have had to be very careful. Altogether it has been a good year, and I am glad with all my heart for the privilege of service.

I have traveled 18,500 miles, have organized 15 Auxiliaries and 5 Queen Esthers, and secured 720 Auxiliary and 141 Queen Esther members, 4 Jewel life members, and 1 Home Guards life member.

Much of my time has been spent in visiting Auxiliaries and stirring them to the work of doubling their membership. I have addressed many Epworth Leagues, Sunday-schools, camp-meetings, District Home Missionary meetings, and District Preachers' meetings, Conference Annuals, and Conference anniversaries. The response from the women has been very hearty, and I am encouraged to march on to greater victories during the coming year.

(MRS. DELLA C. GEGGIE, RESERVE FIELD SECRETARY.)

This has been my "jubilee year," which I promised myself I would have some time when I accepted the office of National Organizer ten years ago. My work, therefore, has been confined to my own Conference, and I have helped in the usual way by public addresses, attending Conference and District conventions, and in every way possible endeavoring to stay up the hands of our over-burdened Conference workers.

The organizations I have secured have been among the young people. Last year I accepted an itinerary of five months in the Columbia River Conference. Mrs. Spafford mentions in her report the disappointment which came to us by her most unexpected change of residence from the State of Washington to California. It was a great disappointment to me, as I was anxious to round out my ten years of service by a long itinerary. I, however, found while I remained on the Pacific Coast many opportunities of service. While in Los Angeles a most cordial invitation was extended to me to speak at Conference Board and Auxiliary meetings. I also attended one District convention. A stay of a day and a half in San Francisco brought me in touch with our work and

workers of the California Conference. At the meeting of the Conference Board I promised to help them all in my power. That promise, like the one I made to our workers in the Southern California Conference, has resulted in increased appropriations for the work along the coast, not omitting our far-away Alaska.

I am looking at our great work in the home field with an ever-increasing appreciation of its importance, for I fully realize as our own Bishop Oldham has said, "All the work in the foreign field depends upon an adequate and aggressive Home Missionary effort," and that if we are true to our trust our own dear country will become the evangelizing power of the world.

(MRS. MAY CUMISKY BLISS, RESERVE FIELD SECRETARY.)

During September I worked in Michigan for Permanent Deaconess Fund. I worked during October in New York for Permanent Deaconess Fund, and during November and December I worked in the Maine Conference in the interest of the Portland Deaconess Home and organized Societies.

Number of public addresses made, 9; parlor addresses, 3; Conference addresses, 4; jails visited, 1. I organized 2 Auxiliaries and 3 Queen Esther Circles; number members in Auxiliaries, 19; number members in Queen Esther Circles, 30; Mite-boxes taken, 10; *Home Missions* taken, 3; raised for the Deaconess Home, \$550.49.

May 13th I held a parlor meeting in Chattanooga. June 29th, Sunday morning and evening, I made addresses at Auburn, Mich. Four dollars were collected and seven new members secured.

July 17th and 18th, Sunday morning and evening, I made addresses at Hemlock and Morrill; \$25 was collected.

Secured one candidate for Deaconess Training-school, Miss Lula B. Morse, who was accepted, and will enter Washington School this fall.

(MRS. ANNA ONSTOTT, RESERVE FIELD SECRETARY.)

The past year has been one of hard but successful work, in that more money and new members have been secured than in any other year during my service for the Society. I have been especially successful in securing Mothers' Jewels, and consider it as of much or even more importance than getting an adult member. Some one has said, "A man or a woman converted is a unit, but a child is a whole multiplication table." If that be true, let us improve every opportunity to secure the boys and girls; yes, and the babies, too, and we will not only have the baby, but its parents also. It has been my privilege to study more of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society during the past year than ever before, visiting the Immigrant Girls' Homes at Boston and New York, Deaconess Homes at Portland, Brooklyn, Baltimore, and the Training-school at Washington. I also visited the landing stage at Ellis Island and the steerage on the *Saxonia*, going to Liverpool, and the *Mauretania* returning. Had the privilege of helping a poor woman who had her money stolen and chaperoning a young girl coming to America to get married.

I have visited the Baltimore, Central Pennsylvania, and North Ohio Conferences, and have been encouraged by the advances made "all along the line," "not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit," saith the Lord! May His Spirit guide our great Society on to victory!

(MRS. MAY LEONARD WOODRUFF, RESERVE FIELD SECRETARY.)

When the request came for my report for the year as Reserve Organizer I began to wonder what I would report. Looking over the record I find I have been privileged to speak on our general work forty-one times and have had frequent opportunities for presenting the work in Porto Rico. These services have been rendered in the bounds of the Newark, New York East, New Jersey, Philadelphia, New England Southern, and Cincinnati Conferences. Annual Conference anniversaries, annual meetings of Conference Societies, District meetings, and Auxiliaries, as well as Sabbath services and Sabbath-schools, have been visited. Once we were permitted to present our work in St. Johns, New Brunswick, Canada, where great interest was manifested in our plan of organization. New members have joined us in some of the services and subscribers have been secured for our papers. The "Forward Movement" has been presented wherever possible. The illustrated lecture on our general work has been given a number of times. We are convinced that our cause is being better understood and is gaining the sympathy and support of large numbers who in the past have not been sympathetic. Wherever we have gone we have been most kindly received, and we are grateful for all that has been done for our comfort.

(MRS. BRADFORD S. POTTER, RESERVE FIELD SECRETARY.)

The request for the report as Reserve Organizer by the 1st of September finds me some distance from the "base of supplies." I shall comply with the request, although possibly to my own disadvantage, being without my notes, because I consider early reports for our Year Book a wise departure from the old custom.

The major part of my activity has been given to my own Conference, the Rock River. Thank-offering and District meeting occasions have been the invitations accepted, together with similar occasions in one of the Indiana Conferences and a delightful camp-meeting service in the West Wisconsin Conference.

I have spoken to Epworth Leagues and Sabbath-schools whenever occasion offered, as well as to Queen Esther Circles, with great delight.

(MRS. ANNA D. ELDER, RESERVE FIELD SECRETARY.)

My itinerary, which began soon after our school closed, covered eleven weeks, and took me through the District conventions of Michigan, East Ohio, and part of West Virginia Conferences. In many respects this was the most strenuous trip of the year. It is a matter for thanksgiving that not a train or an engagement was missed in the entire trip. Congregations varied, but some evidences of increased interest were noted at each point. In the early part of the year the Gulf and Alabama Conferences and New Orleans were visited. A Conference of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was effected in Gulf Conference, and also in Alabama Conference.

I have spoken within the bounds of seven Conferences this year and represented the Woman's Home Missionary Society at the Interdenominational Woman's Home Missionary Society Conferences at Northfield, Mass. Ministers, Auxiliaries, and Circles have given me a cordial welcome everywhere.

Addressed Woman's Home Missionary Society conventions, 14; Min-

isterial District Conferences, 7; many Epworth Leagues, Circles, and Sunday-schools addressed; public meetings addressed, 68; members secured, 100; Auxiliaries organized, 3; Queen Esther Circles, 2; collections, \$394; work was done in 7 Conferences; Conferences organized, 2; Annual Conferences addressed, 2.

There were many open doors by the way, and Christianizing the dark parts of our own land grows in importance as the needs are presented.

I was pleased to note increased interest in Reading Circles, literary programs for monthly meetings, and new and novel ways of earning money. Representatives from Home Guards and Queen Esther Circles read fine reports in convention. Day of Prayer had been observed in many places, and Mite-boxes have been used enthusiastically.

There is growth all along the line. In several instances receptions had been arranged and great effort had been made to use the Organizer. In other places she was unable to do her best because arrangements had not been made so that she could meet the people.

(BESSIE M. GARRISON, SPECIAL FIELD SECRETARY.)

Beginning with October, 1908, the past eleven months have been rich in labors that have resulted in a more hopeful view of the Woman's Home Missionary Society work in certain of our Colored Conferences.

The Florida Conference and South Florida Mission, the Savannah, Atlanta, South Carolina, North Carolina, and the Tennessee Conferences have been the field of operation. New Auxiliaries have been formed in many instances, and others already organized were inspired. Strenuous efforts have been put forth to get competent and consecrated women interested.

The work in South Carolina has assumed a very hopeful appearance. Sixty-eight dollars were sent in this year to the General Treasurer by the Conference Treasurer. Twenty-five dollars of this was raised by me for the new building at Thayer Home, Atlanta. Let it be remembered that two years ago there was but one live Auxiliary in South Carolina.

In the North Carolina Conference I raised \$24.40 for the Building Fund, to be applied on the building in Atlanta. The enthusiasm and earnestness with which the women of the North Carolina Conference are carrying on the work was a delight to me. These are among our best workers of the Society. Efforts are being put forward to have even more efficient work done within this Conference.

I have traveled 5,370 miles, secured 265 new members, 32 subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, have sold books of our study course, and other literature; also, Queen Esther and Auxiliary badges, and have distributed quantities of free leaflets.

I have attended one Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society convention, three District Conferences, one Annual Conference, and other public gatherings in interest of the cause. I have made 156 talks and addresses, and have visited eight of our Homes in the South, speaking to the girls enrolled therein.

MITE-BOXES.

Number of Mite-boxes ordered and sent.....	889
Number of Mite-jugs ordered and sent.....	1,352
Number of Mite-beehives ordered and sent.....	3,015
Number of adult (pasteboard) Mite-boxes..	} 71,616
Number of Queen Esther Circle Mite-boxes	
Number of Home Guards Mite-boxes.....	
Number of Jewel Mite-boxes.....	
Total number	76,872

AMOUNT OF CASH AND POSTAGE RECEIVED.

Amount of cash received.....	\$5 93
Amount of postage received	4 93
Received for expenses	10 09
Total	\$20 95

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, Treasurer.....	\$10 86
Paid for postage, postals, etc.....	10 09
Total	\$20 95

AMOUNT OF MITE-BOX COLLECTIONS.

CONFERENCES.	COLLECTIONS.	CONFERENCES.	COLLECTIONS.
Maine	\$335 00	Wisconsin	109 80
Vermont	126 03	Wilmington	137 06
New Hampshire	37 14	North Indiana	1,483 66
New England	479 99	Indiana	753 38
New England Southern.	264 08	Northwest Indiana.....	605 70
Baltimore	674 00	Illinois	554 49
Central New York.....	507 18	Iowa	255 33
New York East.....	615 00	Northwest Iowa	
New York	600 00	Lexington	4 11
Northern New York....	483 44	Kentucky	69 61
New Jersey	228 65	St. Louis	218 00
Newark	663 98	Little Rock (Adeline	
Central Pennsylvania ...	448 12	Smith Home)	104 00
Central Ohio	604 00	Ohio	685 54
Cincinnati	426 19	Oregon	72 46
Colorado	323 17	Rock River	988 45
California	263 39	Pittsburg	745 71
Southern California	975 15	Philadelphia	649 02
Des Moines	601 08	Southwest Kansas	655 33
Erie	709 96	Wyoming	180 72
East Ohio	760 50	Nebraska	98 69
Genesee	365 17	North Nebraska	167 12
Troy	302 90	West Nebraska	39 69
Detroit	1,403 45	Upper Iowa	353 35
Michigan	513 85	Oklahoma	82 76
Minnesota	88 92	Arizona Mission	84 52
North Ohio	248 97		
Northern Minnesota ...			
		Total.....	\$23,149 56

SUMMARY.

The Banner Conference is North Indiana.....	\$1,483 66
The Cincinnati Conference	1,446 00
The Detroit Conference	1,403 45
The Southern California Conference	975 15
The Indianapolis District.....	418 19
Mrs John T. Grape, Baltimore Conference, had in one box	50 00
Mr. Onstott had one box in Maine Conference.....	65 00
In New England Southern Conference one box contained....	20 00
In Colorado Conference one box contained.....	19 92
In Cincinnati Conference one box contained.....	68 00
In North Indiana Conference one box contained.....	15 00
In Philadelphia Conference two boxes each contained.....	15 00
Little Rock, Ark., Adeline Smith Home, one box contained..	10 00
In Illinois Conference one box contained.....	16 80
In Detroit Conference one box contained.....	16 00
In Indiana Conference one box contained.....	8 00
In Oklahoma Conference one box contained.....	6 80
In Northern New York Conference one box contained.....	5 00
In Wyoming Conference one box contained.....	6 00
In Central New York Conference one box contained.....	5 27
In East Ohio Conference one box contained.....	17 50

MRS. W. M. AMPT, *Secretary.*

DAY OF PRAYER.

It is the first business of our Society to bring America to Christ, to give especial care to the needy and neglected, and try by all possible means to bring them to know God as their Father and Friend, and to enjoy fellowship and communion with Him and with His people. This is the greatest possible service we can render any one.

No agency can be more powerful towards the accomplishment of this high ideal than prayer. It is the great refuge and privilege and strength of God's people. Prayer will work wonders, because it brings us into allegiance with God when all things are possible.

We would become utterly discouraged because of the magnitude of the work we have undertaken but for the belief that it is the Lord's work, and that through prayer He will give efficiency to our feeble efforts.

Our Society is in constant antagonism to all the forces of evil that are working individual, social, and national ruin. This Day of Prayer is a very appropriate time to inquire concerning these dangers and how to overcome them. To inquire whether the public schools are making sufficient efforts to promote character-building for good citizenship; to form plans to assist in the destruction of the liquor-traffic, the great destroyer of everything that is good and desirable; to promote Sabbath observance, and to study the social conditions, especially of the poor and needy, and to endeavor to lift up every one that is down.

If the Church is losing its spiritual power and influence women are largely responsible, as they constitute a large part of its membership

Social life is under woman's control, and she can render valuable service by personal influence and example in simplifying it, that time and money and strength be saved for better things. The attainment of a high and noble character should be put far above riches.

This Day of Prayer should be a sacred, holy, joyous day in our

Society, and such it is becoming as it is more generally observed. It means power and strength and greater efficiency for every department of the work. Let every Home and School unite in this service and share its blessings. And may the Spirit of the living God be poured out and abide with us and our efforts be crowned with wonderful success! (MRS.) MARY C. HICKMAN, *Chairman of Committee.*

THANK-OFFERING.

Those among us who have the Thank-offering at heart listened with interest to the suggestion of our Corresponding Secretary in her able report, that this Board of Managers determine a sum to be raised through this agency and that it be apportioned to the various Conference Societies. Mrs. Williams adds this true word:

"We always work more heartily and effectively when we have a definite goal to reach."

In the report of the General Treasurer, given in our Handbook for the previous year, out of ninety-nine Conference Societies reporting Thank-offerings money only thirty designated these moneys as having been turned into the General Fund. Doubtless in a far larger number of instances the Thank-offering was appropriated to special work, all of which is good work.

Still we venture again to press the claims of our neediest and hardest-worked fund, the General Fund. Should Auxiliaries or Conference Societies as a whole desire a *special* in order that interest and gifts may be stimulated, we suggest the turning of such gifts to missionary salaries. If each Conference Society in which the Thank-offering interest is recognized would assume the salary, or even a limited part of the salary, of some missionary, how this would keep alive interest in that one and in her work! how it would call forth prayer in her behalf, and how it would quicken the spirit of thanksgiving in the hearts of the givers! We recommend:

First, that the Thank-offering be observed whenever possible during the month of November.

Second, that a public service be held if possible, and that Thank-offering envelopes and appropriate literature be sent to *all* women of the congregation.

Third, that Thank-offering funds be appropriated to missionary salaries so far as possible.

(MISS) MARTHA VAN MARTER, *Chairman of Committee.*

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY AT MT. LAKE PARK, MD., JULY 16-19, 1909.

The eleventh anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was held at Mt. Lake Park, Md., July 16-19, 1909. The program included the names of Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. I. D. Jones, and Mrs. F. V. Chapman, which indicates the quality of the speaking. The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension was represented by Rev. Robert Forbes, D. D., Sunday morning. The general work of the Society was presented by Mrs. Williams in the afternoon, and Mrs. I. D. Jones followed in the evening by a forceful address on "The Gospel for All Nations at Our Doors." Saturday evening Mrs. Chapman won all hearts

for the Ritter Industrial Home by her plain and practical statement of the work being done for the white girls of the Southland. The sympathy of the hearers was practically demonstrated by the gifts of a washer and two wringers for the Home and a scholarship of fifty dollars.

Eleven years ago, in 1899, the Woman's Home Missionary Society was asked to represent its work at Mt. Lake Park, Md., to arouse an interest in the work, especially in West Virginia Conference, which at that time had no Auxiliary. Our eleven anniversaries have borne fruit; first, in the establishment of the Thompson Rest Home at Mt. Lake Park; and second, not only in the organization of a little Auxiliary at Mt. Lake Park in 1900, but in the present organization of the Virginia Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, with a membership of over seven hundred. *Mrs. S. W. DAVIS, Chairman of Committee.*

BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

Mrs. Harriet D. Talmage, late of Kings County, New York, bequeaths to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church \$1,000. This amount, less an inheritance tax of \$50, has been paid into the Treasury.

Mrs. Harriet B. Campbell, late of Portland, Ore., bequeaths \$1,000 to the "Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church." Her will was made in 1901.

Mr. James A. Jacokes, late of Pontiac, Mich., by his will gives our Society \$500. Four hundred and seventy-six dollars of this amount has been paid to the Treasurer.

The will of Amy E. Brown, late of Los Angeles, Cal., after providing for certain legacies, gives her husband, Julius A., the remainder of her estate for life, and after his death gives our Society one-eighth of the remainder. This is thought to be a liberal bequest, but the amount can not yet be known. Mr. Brown is in full sympathy with our work and will aid us to realize the largest possible amount from the bequest.

Mr. Norman A. W. Howe, of Lane County, Oregon, by his will gives our Society \$200, to be used on the Pacific Coast. This amount has been paid to the General Treasurer.

By the will of Mr. Chas. W. Hurd, late of Grand Rapids, Mich., we are to receive one-third of the remainder of his property after all his debts are paid. Only a small sum may be expected from this bequest.

Orpha S. Munger bequeaths to our Society \$100. This bequest has been paid.

James B. Campbell, executor, has informed our attorney that Joseph Stevens, of Oxford, has given us by will \$500, but the correct post-office address of the executor has not yet been obtained.

Miss S. Belle Jolly, late of Sodus, N. Y., bequeaths to our Society \$500.

By the will of Rhoda F. Kidder, widow of Rev. J. W. Kidder, late of Montpelier, Vt., we are given \$400.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is remembered in the will of Nancy Plummer, late of Logansport, Ind., but the amount of the bequest is not known.

By the will of Mrs. John Vincent, late of Indianapolis, Ind., our Society receives a bequest of \$300, which has been paid into the treasury.

Mrs. Sarah Dunham, late of Evanston, Ill., gives our Society by her will \$500, which has been received.

A bequest of \$200 to our Society is named in the will of Mrs. Lydia Fulton. The amount has been paid.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

AMOUNT PAID ON BEQUESTS DURING THE YEAR 1908-1909.

From the bequest of Mrs. Whetstone, Cincinnati Conference...	\$3,687 62
Joseph A. Jakes	476 25
From bequest of Mrs. Sarah Dunham	500 00
Wm. S. Calkins	425 00
From bequest of Elsie Conrad	500 00
From the bequest of Alice H. Chipman	75 00
From the bequest of May L. O. Hinds	958 61
Mrs. John Vincent	300 00
Orpha S. Munger	100 00
Lydia A. Fulton	200 00
Harriet D. Talmage	950 00
From the bequest of Mrs. Adelia Clough (invested securities)	24,888 54
Cash	8,450 00

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MRS. RICHARD DYMOND, *Chairman of Committee.*

INSURANCE.

STATEMENT OF WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, FROM AUGUST 1, 1908, TO JULY 31, 1909.

	AMOUNTS.	PREMIUMS.
Jacksonville, Fla.—Boylan Home	\$4,000 00	\$81 00
Asheville, N. C.—Allen Home and Durandus Beech Home	13,500 00	297 00
Farmington, New Mexico—Navajo Mission School and Barn	3,750 00	112 50
York County, Neb.—Mothers' Jewels Home	1,200 00	24 00
Clarkson, Miss.—Woodland Academy	1,000 00	40 00
Clarkson, Miss.—Bennett Academy	2,100 00	49 00
Logan, Utah—Seminary Building	3,000 00	90 00
Elsinore, Utah—Columbus Home	1,500 00	37 50
Provo, Utah	1,300 00	37 50
Sand Fly Station	2,000 00	60 00
Athens, Tenn.—Frazer Home	2,000 00	50 00
Salt Lake City, Utah	7,299 99	61 44
Greenville, Col.	500 00	10 00
Cincinnati, Ohio	1,500 00	34 70
Tivoli, N. Y.—Watts De Peyster Home and Hospital	35,200 00	704 00
Camden, S. C.—Babcock Chapel	2,000 00	40 00
Little Rock, Ark.—A. Smith Industrial Home	2,300 00	57 50
W. Holly Springs, Miss.	500 00	10 00
Mt. Pleasant, Utah	300 00	7 50
Marone, Utah	500 00	12 50
Spring City, Utah	400 00	10 00
East Jacksonville, Fla.—Faith Cottage	1,000 00	40 00
Albuquerque, New Mexico	1,000 00	30 00
Morristown, Tenn.	4,000 00	116 00

Total

\$2,042 14

Respectfully submitted,

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 31, 1909.

Magly, Strachley & Co.

MRS. GEO. H. THOMPSON, *Chairman of Committee.*

THE SUSTENTATION FUND.

The Sustentation Fund is made up of moneys collected for pastors whose salaries are less than six hundred dollars a year. The method of collecting is as follows: In all Churches whose pastor's salary is over six hundred dollars, we ask for ten cents per head over twelve years of age.

At the Annual Conference the District Superintendent brings in a list of the charges needing assistance, stating what the pastor has received for his year's work, the number in his family, and the amount he wishes him to have.

Three years ago the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the California Conference assumed the responsibility of raising this fund. This gives us the opportunity of presenting our work once a year in all of our pulpits, resulting directly in a larger increase of money, and indirectly giving our Society a prestige throughout the Conference. I heartily recommend its adoption by the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

MRS. C. A. WESTENBERG, *Chairman of Committee.*

GENERAL CONFERENCE ELECTION PLAN.

The Committee appointed at the July meeting to report on the General Conference method of election, after a consultation with Dr. Hingley, Secretary of the General Conference, presents the following report: The following rules are taken from the Journal of the General Conference of 1908:

First—The election shall be by ballot and in the presence of the Secretary and Tellers.

Second—In taking the ballot the following order should be observed:

1. All persons not entitled to seats shall retire from the bar.
2. In taking the vote all delegates shall stand in their places.
3. The Tellers shall collect the ballot, beginning at the front, and when the delegates have voted they shall resume their seats.
4. In case there are more or less names on the ballot than the number to be elected, the ballot shall be thrown out.
5. It will require a majority of all votes to elect. In case more than the number to be elected have received the number of votes required to elect, those highest on the list and in their order shall be declared elected.
6. The tellers shall pour all the ballots into one pile, but may canvass the votes from as many piles as may suit their convenience. (If more than one pile is used then each small pile must be counted.)
7. Ballots shall bear the Christian name or initials as well as the surname of the persons voted for. In case of doubt on the part of the Secretary or Tellers, the ballot or ballots shall be submitted to the Conference.

8. No Secretary or Teller shall give information concerning the result of the ballot until the same shall be announced by the presiding officer.

Third—(Names of officers, etc., to be elected).

Fourth—When nominations are in order for any office, the Chairman shall so announce and request that all nominations shall be sent to the Secretary's table in writing, and after all nominations have been received the Secretary shall read the list alphabetically. When the Secretary reads the last name the list of nominations shall be closed.

Fifth—Elections shall be conducted under the direction of the Secretary and ballot reported to him.

A marked feature of the method is that no public nominations should be made by speech or in writing, and the list of those who make the nominations should not be read. The only thing read is the name of the candidate, and if more than one, the alphabetical order determines the order of announcement.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. D. D. THOMPSON, *Chairman of Committee.*

MRS. W. P. THIRKIELD.

MRS. W. F. ROBERTSON.

ELECTION PLAN.

SYNOPSIS OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO DEVISE PLAN FOR REDUCING THE TIME HERETOFORE REQUIRED FOR ANNUAL ELECTIONS.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

The plan proposed takes the elections entirely away from the business sessions, and provides that the "polls" remain open through certain hours of one day for the casting of the nominating ballot, and on another day for the casting of the election ballot.

A tally sheet containing the names of all qualified to vote is provided, and the names are checked off as ballots are individually cast.

THESE ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTERS.

1. The appointment at the first session of the convention of a Committee of Five on Elections, and the selection of two days on which, respectively, the nominating and the electing ballots shall be taken.

2. The filling out of the ballot authorized by the convention and depositing it at any time convenient during the hours when the "polls" are open. This to be done twice—first for the nominating, and second for the electing ballot.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

1. To prepare, in conference with the Committee on Credentials, a complete list of all persons present at the convention who are entitled to vote.

2. To see that this list is posted in a conspicuous place twenty-four hours before the nominating ballot is taken, so that all voters may have the opportunity to examine it and report to the Committee any needed changes.

3. To divide its membership in such way that three members may be on duty during the entire time when the "polls" are open. Of these three one shall be called for convenience the Superintendent of Elections. Ballots may be given to voters by any member of the Committee on Elections. When filled out by the voter the Superintendent of Elections shall be responsible for their correct depositing in the ballot-box, and the others on duty shall at the same time check off the name of the voter from the tally-list of the nominating or the electing ballot, as the case may be.

4. To count the ballots as Tellers and report the result to the Board of Managers at the earliest opportunity.

5. To decline to receive any ballots from persons whose names are not on the regular tally-sheet unless authorized so to do by direct order of the Board of Managers.

6. To deposit the ballots and tally-sheets with the Recording Secretary of the convention after the close of the elections.

RULES OF THE ELECTION.

1. The candidates for President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice-Presidents shall be those having on the nomination ballot the highest two numbers of votes for each office named. Should there be a tie vote for any officer, all the persons thus nominated shall be declared candidates for said office.

2. The fifteen persons having the largest number of votes for Managers on the nominating ballot shall be declared candidates for election to that office. The ten persons having the largest number of votes for Associate Managers on the nominating ballot shall be declared candidates for election to that office.

3. Ballots having more than the required number of names for a given office, as indicated on the printed form, shall be considered defective so far as that office is concerned, and not counted.

4. The ballot-box shall have lock and key, and the Committee on Elections shall be responsible for its proper use.

5. The rules governing the electing ballot shall be those in ordinary use.

6. The "polls" shall be open on the days named by the Board of Managers from 10 A. M. to 12 M., and ballots shall be cast only between these hours.

7. In all respects the rules ordinarily governing elections shall apply here, the only difference being that the ballots are deposited in a locked box and the names at the same time are checked off on a tally-sheet.

MRS. HEDLEY R. WOODWARD, *Chairman of Committee.*

BY-LAWS.

We recommend that the Constitution under Article III, Section 5, page 371, be amended by striking out "General Organizers" and inserting the name "Field Secretary." On page 372, Article IV, Section 4. Paragraph 2 (we desire to call attention to this fact). The recommendation to change the time of reporting of the Corresponding Secretaries from quarterly to semi-annually involves a change in Constitution, we therefore recommend that it take the required course; namely, that three months' notice of change be sent to the Conferences and be published in *Woman's Home Missions*. That on page 372, Article VI—Membership—After the first sentence add: "The payment of one dollar annually by a gentleman shall constitute an honorary membership." At the end of the paragraph add: "The payment of one dollar annually for a deceased friend shall constitute a memorial membership. The payment of \$20, a perpetual 'in memoriam.'"

Page 375. That paragraph 22 become paragraph 19, as it relates to the same subject.

That paragraph 19 become paragraph 20.

That we insert after Young Women's Auxiliaries, "and Queen Esther Circles."

"It shall be the duty of the Department of Home Guards and Mothers'

Jewels to organize Home Guards and secure names for membership in Mothers' Jewels Societies."

That on page 379, under Section 3—Finance, paragraph 11, shall read, "The President and Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall be empowered to sign all deeds and contracts for the Society. The Treasurer shall be empowered to sign all notes of the Society."

Page 381. We recommend that Section 7—Department of Young People's Work, be stricken out, and that the new articles adopted by the Board of Trustees be inserted in its place.

That on page 383, paragraph 13, we insert after membership dues, "honorary membership dues."

Page 385. Constitution for Auxiliaries. Article III, "Any person paying \$1 per year and ten cents contingent fund," may become a member of this Society.

Page 386. Insert as No. 8 in paragraph 7, "Concert Lesson."

Page 386. That we strike out the Constitution and By-laws or the necessary changes to make them conform with the new Constitution and By-laws adopted for the Young People's Societies by the Board of Trustees.

Page 389. That under the Constitution for Mothers' Jewels, Article III, be changed to read: Any boy or girl ten years of age or younger may join this Society by paying dues of ten cents a year. The payment of \$1 shall constitute Mothers' Jewels a life membership.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. W. BICKLEY, *Chairman Committee.*

EDITOR OF THE ANNUAL REPORT.

There are over one hundred thousand members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and only fourteen thousand five hundred Annual Reports published, showing that only about one member in every seven can be furnished with a copy, even though the distribution be confined entirely to the membership, which it is not.

Nevertheless, the past orders for the Report do not warrant your Editor to recommend more than the usual number of the forthcoming Annual Report—fourteen thousand five hundred (14,500).

Now and then it is rumored that a Conference officer has not been able to distribute all that she ordered for her Conference. Such a state of things should cease to exist everywhere. In view of the cost of publication let no one order more than she can advantageously use in her work.

(Miss) FRANCES A. FISH.

APPROPRIATIONS

OF THE

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For the Year Ending July 31, 1910.

Southern Work.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
HAVEN HOME AND SCHOOL, SAVANNAH, GA.			
Salaries (\$2,000)	\$1,780 00	\$220 00	
Repairs	100 00	800 00	
Fire escape		300 00	
Student Aid		800 00	
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	\$1,880 00	\$2,120 00	
			\$4,000 00
SPEEDWELL, GA.			
Salaries (\$480)	\$450 00	\$30 00	
Current expenses		200 00	
Student Aid		180 00	
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	\$450 00	\$410 00	
			860 00
THAYER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.			
Salaries (\$1,850)	\$1,550 00	\$300 00	
Repairs and plumbing		500 00	
Electricity		250 00	
Kindergarten	300 00		
City missions		200 00	
Student Aid		875 00	
Building		3,000 00	
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	\$1,850 00	\$5,125 00	
			6,975 00
BOYLAN HOME AND SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.			
Salaries (\$2,880)	\$2,520 00	\$360 00	
Current expenses and furnishings		500 00	
Student Aid		600 00	
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	\$2,520 00	\$1,460 00	
			3,980 00

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
BREWSTER HOSPITAL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.			
Salaries (\$960)	\$660 00	\$300 00	
Current expenses		100 00	
Student Aid		200 00	
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	\$660 00	\$600 00	\$1,260 00
SETTLEMENT WORK, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.			
Salaries (\$640)	\$440 00	\$200 00	
Current expenses		200 00	
Student Aid		150 00	
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	\$440 00	\$550 00	990 00
EMERSON HOME AND SCHOOL, OCALA, FLA.			
Salaries (\$1,160)	\$860 00	\$300 00	
Current expenses and repairs.....		275 00	
Student Aid		300 00	
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	\$860 00	\$875 00	1,735 00
ALLEN HOME AND SCHOOL, ASHEVILLE, N. C.			
Salaries (\$1,840)	\$1,700 00	\$140 00	
Fuel, light, water.....	300 00	300 00	
Current expenses and repairs.....	300 00	200 00	
Sanitary improvement.....	450 00		
Student Aid		600 00	
Building		1,700 00	
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	\$2,750 00	\$2,940 00	5,690 00
BROWNING HOME AND SCHOOL, CAMDEN, S. C.			
Salaries (\$2,160).....	\$1,960 00	\$200 00	
Fuel, light, water, repairs.....		500 00	
Laundry and plumbing	700 00		
Plantation work		60 00	
Student Aid		700 00	
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	\$2,660 00	\$1,460 00	4,120 00
KENT HOME, GREENSBORO, N. C.			
Salaries	\$560 00		
Current expenses.....	200 00		
Student Aid		\$450 00	
Domestic science		250 00	
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	\$760 00	\$700 00	1,460 00

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	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE HOME, MORRISTOWN, TENN.			
Salaries	\$600 00		
Student Aid		\$400 00	
Current Expenses.....	200 00		
	<hr/> \$800 00	<hr/> \$400 00	
			\$1,200 00
ELIZABETH RITTER HOME, ATHENS, TENN.			
Salaries (\$725)	\$625 00	\$100 00	
Current expenses	30 00	170 00	
Student Aid		1,250 00	
Improvements		2,000 00	
	<hr/> \$655 00	<hr/> \$3,520 00	
			4,175 00
E. L. RUST HOME, HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.			
Salaries (\$750)	\$630 00	\$120 00	
Current expenses		350 00	
Repairs	300 00		
Student Aid		250 00	
	<hr/> \$930 00	<hr/> \$720 00	
			1,650 00
BENNETT HOME, CLARKSON, MISS.			
Salaries (\$700)	\$675 00	\$25 00	
Current expenses		500 00	
Improvements	300 00	200 00	
Student Aid		375 00	
	<hr/> \$975 00	<hr/> \$1,100 00	
			2,075 00
BENNETT ACADEMY, CLARKSON, MISS.			
Salaries (\$1,800)	\$1,600 00	\$200 00	
Current expenses		200 00	
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			2,000 00
DICKSON HALL, CLARKSON, MISS.			
Salary	\$315 00		
Current expenses		\$200 00	
	<hr/> \$315 00	<hr/> \$200 00	
			515 00
ADELINE SMITH HOME, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.			
Salary (\$840)	\$640 00	\$200 00	
Current expenses and repairs.....	25 00	575 00	
Student Aid		800 00	
Fire escape		300 00	
	<hr/> \$665 00	<hr/> \$1,875 00	
			2,540 00

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
MISSION WORK, NEW ORLEANS, LA.			
Salary (\$420).....	\$360 00	\$60 00	
Salary—Italian work.....		320 00	
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	\$360 00	\$380 00	\$740 00
PECK SCHOOL OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.			
Salary.....	\$640 00		
Current expenses.....	290 00	\$30 00	
Student Aid.....		50 00	
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	\$930 00	\$80 00	1,010 00
KING HOME, MARSHALL, TEXAS.			
Salaries (\$1,280).....	\$1,210 00	\$70 00	
Current expenses.....		200 00	
Domestic science.....		400 00	
Student Aid.....		500 00	
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	\$1,210 00	\$1,170 00	2,380 00
ELIZA DEE HOME, AUSTIN, TEXAS.			
Salary.....	\$640 00		
Current expenses.....		\$100 00	
Student Aid.....		200 00	
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	\$640 00	\$300 00	940 00
REBECCA McCLESKY HOME, BOAZ, ALA.			
Salary (\$1,180).....	\$560 00	\$620 00	
Current expenses.....	350 00		
Furnishing.....		500 00	
Student Aid.....		2,000 00	
Building.....		5,000 00	
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	\$910 00	\$8,120 00	9,030 00
EBENEZER C. MITCHELL HOME AND SCHOOL, MEISENHEIMER, N. C.			
Salary (\$720).....	\$400 00	\$320 00	
Fuel, Light.....	50 00	50 00	
Repairs and Furnishings.....		1,000 00	
Student Aid.....		1,000 00	
Building.....		10,000 00	
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	\$450 00	\$12,370 00	12,820 00
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, NORTH CARO- LINA.			
Salary (\$500).....	\$350 00	\$150 00	
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	\$350 00	\$150 00	500 00

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	Unconditional.	Conditional.	
HIGHLAND WORK, HOLSTON CON- FERENCE, TENN.			
Salary.....	\$300 00		\$300 00
Total for Southern work.....	\$25,920 00	\$47,025 00	\$72,945 00

Utah.

EL SINORE.....	\$790 00	\$50 00	
LOGAN.. ..	360 00		
MORONI.. ..	720 00	120 00	
MT. PLEASANT.....	360 00		
OGDEN	250 00		
PROVO	360 00		
SPRING CITY.....	720 00	12 00	
EPHRAIM.....	240 00	120 00	
SALT LAKE.....			
Salaries	600 00		
House expenses.....	600 00	150 00	
School supplies		150 00	
Incidentals		150 00	
Total for Utah.....	\$5,000 00	\$860 00	\$5,860 00

Spanish Work.

HARWOOD HOME, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.			
Salaries (\$1,980).....	\$1,520 00	\$460 00	
Building and plumbing.....		1,500 00	
Furnishing		100 00	
Current expenses	150 00	50 00	
Student Aid.....		1,800 00	
	\$1,670 00	\$3,910 00	5,580 00
TUCSON, ARIZONA.			
Salary (\$1,440)	\$840 00	\$600 00	
Current expenses.....	300 00	700 00	
Student Aid.....		800 00	
Building		\$1,500 00	
	\$1,140 00	\$3,600 00	4,740 00
PORTO RICO, GEO. O. ROBINSON OR- PHANAGE, SAN TURCE.			
Salary.....	\$1,740 00		
Current expenses.....	400 00	\$350 00	
Student Aid		3,000 00	
Farmer.....	300 00		
	\$2,440 00	\$3,350 00	5,790 00

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
MCKINLEY DAY SCHOOL, SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.			
Salaries.....	\$1,200 00		
Current expenses.....		\$250 00	
Student Aid		950 00	
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	\$1,200 00	\$1,200 00	\$2,400 00
PONCE, P. R.			
Salary (\$500).....	\$250 00	\$250 00	
Student Aid.....		500 00	
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	\$250 00	\$750 00	1,000 00
TRAINING SCHOOL, VIEQUES, P. R.			
Student Aid.....		\$400 00	
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		\$400 00	400 00
FRANCES DEPAUW IND. HOME, LOS ANGELES, CAL.			
Salaries (\$1,920).....	\$1,480 00	\$440 00	
Current expenses.....	180 00	280 00	
Improvements and furnishings....		600 00	
Student Aid.....		2,500 00	
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	\$1,660 00	\$3,820 00	\$5,480 00
Total for Spanish work.....	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$8,360 00	\$17,030 00	\$25,390 00

Indian and Mexican Work.

NAVAJOES, FARMINGTON, N. M.			
Salary (\$1,970).....	\$1,350 00	\$620 00	
Current expenses.....	150 00	150 00	
Irrigation.....	150 00	650 00	
Student Aid.....		1,000 00	
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	\$1,650 00	\$2,420 00	\$4,070 00
PONCA, OKLAHOMA.			
Salary.....	\$480 00		
Incidentals		\$125 00	
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	\$480 00	\$125 00	605 00
POTTAWATOMIES, KANSAS.			
Salary (\$750).....	\$550 00	\$200 00	
Current expenses.....		125 00	
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	\$550 00	\$325 00	875 00

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	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
STICKNEY HOME, LYNDEN, WASH.			
Salary (\$972).....	\$800 00	\$172 00	
Current expenses		300 00	
Student Aid.....		500 00	
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	\$800 00	\$972 00	\$1,772 00
YUMAS, CALIFORNIA.			
Salary (\$1,000)	\$500 00	\$500 00	
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	\$500 00	\$500 00	1,000 00
UKIAH, CALIFORNIA.....	\$100 00		100 00
GREENVILLE, CALIFORNIA.			
Salary (\$700)	\$200 00	\$500 00	
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	\$200 00	\$500 00	
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			700 00
Total for Indian and Mexican work.....	\$4,280 00	\$4,842 00	\$9,122 00

Alaska.

JESSE LEE HOME, UNALASKA.			
Salaries (\$2,080)	\$1,580 00	\$500 00	
Current expenses.....	300 00	150 00	
Repairs		300 00	
Hospital		200 00	
Student Aid.....		2,000 00	
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	\$1,880 00	\$3,150 00	\$5,030 00
SINUK.			
Salaries (\$1,240)	\$1,000 00	\$240 00	
Current expenses.....	200 00	500 00	
Student Aid.....		500 00	
Building		1,000 00	
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	\$1,200 00	\$2,240 00	3,440 00
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Total for Alaska	\$3,080 00	\$5,390 00	\$8,470 00

Immigrant Work.

NEW YORK CITY.			
Salary (\$960).....	\$864 00	\$96 00	
Current expenses.....		750 00	
Domestic.....		230 00	
Rent.....	2,500 00		
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	\$3,364 00	\$1,076 00	\$4,440 00

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
EAST BOSTON.			
Salary.....	\$1,236 00		
Current expenses.....	364 00	\$270 00	
Fuel, light.....			
Rent.....	400 00		
Building, \$25,000 (Con.)			
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	\$2,000 00	\$270 00	
			\$2,270 00
PHILADELPHIA.			
.....	\$180 00	\$120 00	
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	\$180 00	\$120 00	300 00
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Total for Immigrant work.....	\$5,544 00	\$1,466 00	\$7,010 00
Chinese Work.			
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.			
Salary and current expenses	\$2,400 00	\$100 00	
Kindergarten.....		300 00	
Student Aid.....		1,800 00	
Building		12,000 00	
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	\$2,400 00	\$14,200 00	\$16,600 00
LOS ANGELES	300 00		300 00
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Total for Chinese work.....	\$2,700 00	\$14,200 00	\$16,900 00
Japanese and Korean Work.			
SAN FRANCISCO.			
Salary and current expenses.....	\$1,524 00	\$288 00	
Student Aid.....	200 00	2,000 00	
Incidentals.....	300 00		
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LOS ANGELES.			
Building		1,000 00	
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	\$2,024 00	\$3,288 00	
			\$5,312 00
HAWAII, HONOLULU.			
Salary.....	\$970 00		
Current expenses.....	200 00	\$200 00	
Building and repairs.....		385 00	
Student Aid		1,200 00	
Incidentals	100 00		
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	\$1,270 00	\$1,785 00	3,055 00
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Total for Japanese and Korean work.....	\$3,294 00	\$5,073 00	\$8,367 00

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	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
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Children's Homes.

MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME, YORK, NEB.

Salary (\$2,816)	\$2,516 00	\$300 00	
Current expenses and repairs	184 00	1,500 00	
Student Aid		3,500 00	
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	\$2,700 00	\$5,300 00	

\$8,000 00

WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME AND SCHOOL, TIVOLI, N. Y.

Salary	\$2,000 00		
Farmer	750 00		
Current expenses	700 00	\$1,200 00	
Student Aid		2,200 00	
Building and furnishing		1,000 00	
Coal		600 00	
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	\$3,450 00	\$5,000 00	

8,450 00

ELIZABETH A. BRADLEY HOME, HULTON, PA; P. O., OAKMONT, PA.

Salary and current expenses	\$2,000 00	\$5,500 00	
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	\$2,000 00	\$5,500 00	

7,500 00

CUNNINGHAM ORPHANAGE, URBANA, ILL.

Salary and current expenses	\$500 00	\$900 00	
Student Aid		2,000 00	
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	\$500 00	\$2,900 00	

3,400 00

Total for Children's Homes.....	\$8,650 00	\$18,700 00	\$27,350 00
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Training Schools for Missionaries and Deaconesses.

LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Salary	\$3,740 00	\$500 00	
Student Aid		5,000 00	
Current expenses	5,060 00	940 00	
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	\$8,800 00	\$6,440 00	

\$15,240 00

FISK HALL, KANSAS CITY TRAINING SCHOOL, KANSAS CITY, KAN.

Salary and current expenses	\$3,500 00	\$1,000 00	
Student Aid		2,000 00	
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	\$3,500 00	\$3,000 00	

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Woman's Home Missionary Society.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.			
Salary.....	\$2,000 00		
Repairs and current expenses....	1,600 00	\$2,400 00	
Student Aid.....		1,000 00	
Debt	1,000 00		
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	\$4,600 00	\$3,400 00	\$8,000 00
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Total for Training Schools	\$16,900 00	\$12,840 00	\$29,740 00

Deaconess Work.

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School, Grand Rapids, Mich.	
Current expenses.....	\$2,500 00
Building fund	4,000 00
Baltimore, Md.	8,000 00
Bidwell Home and Iowa Training School, Des Moines, Ia.....	4,240 00
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	5,300 00
Burge Hospital, Springfield, Mo.....	4,045 00
Cleveland, O.....	4,200 00
Colorado Conference Deaconess Home	3,000 00
Colorado Springs Sanitarium	7,800 00
Detroit, Mich	4,500 00
Toledo, O.....	600 00
Genesee Conference Home, Buffalo, N. Y.....	10,000 00
Griffin Deaconess Home, Albany, N. Y.....	3,000 00
Holloway Home, Bridgeport, O.....	1,600 00
Keokuk Hospital, Keokuk, Ia	8,500 00
Martinsburg, West Va.....	3,000 00
Newark Deaconess Home, Newark, N. J.....	9,000 00
New Haven Deaconess Home, Conn.	3,500 00
Jersey City Deaconess Home, N. J.....	4,000 00
Ohio Conference—Columbus, O.	2,000 00
Philadelphia. Pa.....	8,500 00
Pittsburg, Pa.....	3,000 00
Portland, Maine.....	2,500 00
Shesler Home, Sioux City, Ia.....	3,000 00
Southern California Home, Los Angeles	4,500 00
Southern Kansas Conference.....	400 00
Southwest Kansas, Wichita.....	1,500 00
St. Paul, Minn.....	3,000 00
Washington, D. C.	6,000 00
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Total for Deaconess work	\$125,185 00
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	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
Rest Homes.			
Caroline Rest Cottage, Round Lake, N. Y.		\$200 00	
Huntington		500 00	
Elvira Olney, Ludington, Mich.		300 00	
Wing Rest, Huntington Park, Cal.		300 00	
Thompson Rest, Mt. Lake Park, Md.		900 00	
Bancroft Rest, Ocean Grove, N. J.	\$432 00	948 00	
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	\$432 00	\$3,148 00	\$3,580 00
City Missions.			
ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME, CHI- CAGO, ILL			
Salaries	\$2,300 00		
Current expenses		900 00	
Repairs		200 00	
Fuel, light		550 00	
Domestic Science		140 00	
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	\$2,300 00	\$1,790 00	4,090 00
Ada Street Mission, Chicago, Ill.		\$840 00	
South Chicago, Chicago, Ill.		420 00	
Spring Valley, Chicago, Ill.		420 00	
Italian Work, Chicago, Ill.		840 00	
Ladd, Rock River Conference.		420 00	
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		\$2,940 00	2,940 00
ITALIAN WORK.			
Central Pennsylvania		\$200 00	
Kingston, Pa.		50 00	
Portland, Me.		100 00	
Providence, R. I.		200 00	
Rochester, N. Y.		500 00	
Syracuse, N. Y.		200 00	
Utica, N. Y.	\$500 00	700 00	
Astoria, L. I.		100 00	
New Haven, Conn.		150 00	
Youngstown, O.		100 00	
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	\$500 00	\$2,300 00	2,800 00
GLENN HOME, CINCINNATI, OHIO.			
Salary and current expenses	\$500 00	\$6,000 00	6,500 00
HULL STREET SETTLEMENT AND MEDICAL MISSION, BOSTON, MASS			
Current expenses	\$950 00	\$3,750 00	4,700 00
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Total for City Missions	\$4,250 00	\$16,780 00	\$21,030 00

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
SWEDISH WORK.			
Central Swedish Conference	\$300 00	\$500 00	
Brooklyn, N. Y		150 00	
Tacoma, Wash		175 00	
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	\$300 00	\$825 00	\$1,125 00
FINNISH WORK—California Conf.....		100 00	
INDIAN WORK—Wisconsin Conf		150 00	
BOHEMIAN WORK—N. W. Kansas			
Conference		200 00	
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Total.....	\$300 00	\$1,275 00	\$1,575 00

Conference Work.

Austin, Dallas, Texas		\$100 00	
Central New York		650 00	
Central Pennsylvania		1,000 00	
East Ohio (Cleveland Fresh Air Fund)		150 00	
Erie		100 00	
Indiana		5,000 00	
Michigan		400 00	
New England Southern, Italian.....		100 00	
New York East.....		100 00	
North Indiana.....		1,000 00	
Northern Minnesota		450 00	
Northwest Indiana		1,000 00	
Oklahoma		350 00	
Pittsburg		1,000 00	
Puget Sound		300 00	
Upper Iowa		1,500 00	
Vermont		350 00	
West Wisconsin.....		400 00	
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		\$13,950 00	\$13,950 00
Missionaries' travel to and from fields..	\$3,500 00		
Printing.....	3,500 00		
Organizers	5,500 00		
Editor and Publisher.....	2,750 00		
Secretaries	4,000 00		
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	\$19,250 00		\$19,250 00
INTEREST, INSURANCE, AND TAXES.			
Interest on Annuities, Endow-			
ments and Notes.....	\$8,000 00		
Insurance & Taxes.....	1,500 00		
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	\$9,500 00		\$9,500 00

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	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
ADMINISTRATION.			
Attorney fees.....	\$600 00		
Office expenses.....	5,650 00		
Incidentals	2,500 00		
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	\$8,750 00		\$8,750 00
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Total General Expenses	\$37,500 00		\$37,500 00
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GRAND TOTALS.	\$126,210 00	\$287,764 00	\$413,974 00

Additional Appropriations asked for after the adjournment of Finance Committee and granted at meeting of Board of Managers.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.
Seattle-Mission Work	\$4,000 00	
Portland, Oregon -Mission Work.....	1,000 00	
Temperance Work	500 00	
Albuquerque—Salary		\$120 00
Buildings—Thayer Home, Atlanta, Ga		32,000 00
Peck School of Domestic Science, New Orleans, La.....		25,000 00
Ebenezer Mitchell Home and School, N. C....		5,000 00
Navajos, Farmington, N. M.....		4,000 00
Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.....		10,000 00
Colored Training-school, Nashville, Tenn....		1,000 00
Marcy Home, alterations and repairs		5,000 00
El Paso		5,000 00
Tucson.....		15,000 00
Northwest Indiana, Indiana, and North Indiana Conferences, for Hospital at Indianapolis.....		20,000 00

MRS. DELIA LATHROP WILLIAMS,
Chairman of Finance Committee.

PLEDGES.

GENERAL FUND: Alabama, \$60; Baltimore, \$4,000; Central Illinois, \$1,500; Central New York, \$3,100; Central Ohio, \$3,500; Central Pennsylvania, \$1,900; Cincinnati, \$2,300; Delaware, \$150; Des Moines, \$2,400; Detroit, \$2,300; East Ohio, \$2,850; Erie, \$3,600; Genesee, \$2,500; Illinois, \$2,400; Indiana, \$3,000; Iowa, \$1,800; Kansas, \$1,150; Lexington, \$230; Little Rock, \$150; Maine, \$1,000; Michigan, \$3,000; Nebraska, \$1,500; Newark, \$2,500; New England, \$2,000; New England Southern, \$1,350; New Jersey, \$2,300; New York, \$1,400; New York East, \$2,000; North Dakota, \$320; North Indiana, \$3,000; North Nebraska, \$1,000; North Ohio, \$2,000; Northern Minnesota, \$1,000; Northern New York, \$3,000; Northwest Indiana, \$1,800; Northwest Iowa, \$1,500; Northwest Kansas, \$400; Ohio, \$3,000; Philadelphia, \$1,600; Pittsburg, \$3,500; Puget Sound, \$1,100; Rock River, \$4,500; St. Louis, \$1,000; South Kansas, \$600; Southern California, \$2,700; Southern Illinois, \$1,000; Southwest Kansas, \$1,700; Upper Iowa, \$3,000; Utah Mission, \$60; Vermont, \$700; Washington, \$519; West Texas, \$100; West Virginia, \$450; Wilmington, \$1,000; Wyoming, \$2,000.

HAVEN HOME.—Salary: Erie, \$300; Philadelphia, \$70. *Current Expenses:* Michigan, \$25. *Student Aid:* Central Ohio, \$50; Delaware, \$25; Des Moines, \$20; Detroit, \$50; East Ohio, \$50; Genesee, \$25; North Ohio, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$65; Northwest Indiana, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Ohio, \$20; Philadelphia, \$200; Pittsburg, \$10; Puget Sound, \$10; Southern California, \$25; Troy, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25; Washington, \$25; Wilmington, \$25; Wyoming, \$50. *Special:* Central Ohio, \$15; Des Moines, \$5; East Ohio, \$5; Genesee, \$20; Northern Minnesota, \$25; Northwest Indiana, \$25; Ohio, \$25; Philadelphia, \$10; Pittsburg, \$5; St. Louis, 5; South Kansas, \$15; Southern California, \$5; Wyoming, \$5. *Fire Escape:* Central Ohio, \$15; East Ohio, \$5; Genesee, \$10; Michigan, \$5; Nebraska, \$5; Newark, \$10; New Jersey, \$5; New York East, \$5; North Nebraska, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$5; Philadelphia, \$10; Pittsburg, \$5; St. Louis, \$5; South Carolina, \$5; Southern California, \$5; Troy, \$5; Wyoming, \$5.

SPEEDWELL, GA.—Student Aid: Genesee, \$40; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Southern California, \$5; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Special:* Genesee, \$20. *Current Expenses:* New York East, \$10; Philadelphia, \$10.

THAYER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.—Student Aid: Central New York, \$40; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$50; East Ohio, \$50; Genesee, \$15; Lexington, \$50; Maine, \$20; Minnesota, \$15; New England, \$110; New England Southern, \$100; New York East, \$60; North Indiana, \$80; North Ohio, \$10; Northwest Indiana, \$50; Northwest Nebraska, \$5; Philadelphia, \$20; Pittsburg, \$20; Puget Sound, \$50; Rock River, \$50; Southern California, \$40; Upper Iowa, \$25; Washington, \$50; Wilmington, \$25; Wyoming, \$25. *Kindergarten:* Central Ohio, \$15; Detroit, \$15; New Jersey, \$15; Philadelphia, \$5; Vermont, \$30; Wisconsin, \$10. *Special:* California, \$10; Genesee, \$5; Maine, \$50; Nebraska, \$25; North Nebraska, \$20; Northern Minnesota, \$50; Ohio, \$25; South Kansas, \$10; Southern Illinois, \$20; Vermont, \$100; Washington, \$60. *Building:* Central New York, \$90; Central Ohio, \$50; Cincinnati, \$10; Des Moines,

\$300; Detroit, \$21; East Ohio, \$100; Erie, \$100; Ohio, \$200; Indiana, \$25; Lexington, \$10; Michigan, \$50; Newark, \$100; New England, \$25; New England Southern, \$25; New York, \$10; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Northwest Iowa, \$100; Philadelphia, \$125; Puget Sound, \$10. *Chapel Window*: Central Illinois, \$60.

BOYLAN HOME.—*Salary*: North Indiana, \$320. *Current Expenses*: California, \$5; Central New York, \$20; East Ohio, \$50; Indiana, \$55; New York East, \$10; Pittsburg, \$25. *Student Aid*: Central Ohio, \$50; Cincinnati, \$10; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$50; East Ohio, \$50; Illinois, \$125; Indiana, \$25; Nebraska, \$50; New England Southern, \$50; New Hampshire, \$90; New York, \$15; North Indiana, \$145; North Nebraska, \$10; North Ohio, \$40; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Ohio, \$50; Pittsburg, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$25; Wyoming, 50. *Special*: Detroit, \$5; New England, \$20; North Indiana, \$5; Northern Minnesota, \$5; New Jersey, \$5 (for medicine); Vermont, \$25.

BREWSTER HOSPITAL, NURSE AND TRAINING-SCHOOL.—*Salary*: California, \$5; Troy, \$10. *Current Expenses*: East Tennessee, \$50; Genesee, \$5; New York, \$5; New York East, \$5; Pittsburg, \$25. *Student Aid*: Des Moines, \$20; Puget Sound, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Special*: Central Ohio, \$10; Detroit, \$5; Michigan, \$15; New Jersey, \$10; North Indiana, \$20; North Nebraska, \$10; Ohio, \$20; Southern Illinois, \$5; Central Pennsylvania, \$10.

SETTLEMENT WORK.—*Salary*: Des Moines, \$10. *Current Expenses*: Indiana, \$20; North Indiana, \$50. *Student Aid*: Newark, \$10; Vermont, \$25. *Special*: Michigan, \$15; New England Southern, \$25; Rock River, \$100. *Faith Cabin*: Troy, \$10.

EMERSON HOME.—*Salary*: East Ohio, \$250. *Current Expenses*: Central Ohio, \$25; East Ohio, \$50; North Indiana, \$50; Pittsburg, \$10. *Student Aid*: Detroit, \$50; Newark, \$10; New England Southern, \$30; New York East, \$50; North Indiana, \$50; Ohio, \$50; Pittsburg, \$10; Southwest Kansas, \$5; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Special*: Michigan, \$20; Tennessee, \$10.

ALLEN HOME.—*Current Expenses*: Detroit, \$10; East Ohio, \$50; New England Southern, \$25; Pittsburg, \$20. *Salary*: Indiana, \$85. *Student Aid*: Central New York, \$40; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$50; Cincinnati, \$15; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$80; East Ohio, \$50; Erie, \$40; Genesee, \$20; Indiana, \$45; Iowa, \$50; Nebraska, \$25; New England Southern, \$50; North Ohio, \$15; Pittsburg, \$10; Upper Iowa, \$25; Wyoming, \$50. *Special*: Detroit, \$25; Genesee, \$20; Kentucky, \$50; Rock River, \$25. *Building*: Michigan, \$25.

BROWNING HOME.—*Salary*: Upper Iowa, \$25. *Current Expenses*: East Ohio, \$50; New England Southern, \$25; New York, \$5; New York East, \$10; North Nebraska, \$25; Northwest Nebraska, \$25. *Student Aid*: Central New York, \$40; Detroit, \$50; Erie, \$50; Genesee, \$20; New England, \$40; New England Southern, \$100; North Nebraska, \$10; Northern Minnesota, \$25; Rock River, \$50; Southern California, \$10. *Special*: Central Ohio, \$25; Detroit, \$10; Erie, \$50 (for repairs); Newark, \$25; New England, \$30 (for plantation); New England Southern, \$25 (for plantation); New Hampshire, \$100 (to name room in Domestic Science Department); \$25 (for equipment); Ohio, \$25; Troy, \$10.

KENT HOME.—*Current Expenses*: Detroit, \$25; Michigan, \$25; New York East, \$10; Pittsburg, \$10; Troy, \$25. *Student Aid*: Detroit, \$125; East Ohio, \$50; Maine, \$10; New York, \$20; Upper Iowa, \$25; Utah Mission, \$50; Washington, \$40. *Special*: Central New York, \$10; Genesee, \$20; Rock River, \$50.

NEW JERSEY HOME.—*Student Aid*: Des Moines, \$25; Detroit, \$265; Lexington, \$85; New Jersey, \$50; New York, \$20; New York East, \$10;

Rock River, \$50. *Cow*: Central Missouri, \$5; Cincinnati, \$2 Detroit—Mrs. Robinson, \$5; Mrs. Dennis, \$10; Mrs. North, \$10; Des Moines, \$5; Michigan, \$5; Newark, \$5; New Jersey, \$5; Philadelphia, \$5; Pittsburg, \$5.

RITTER HOME.—*Current Expenses*: North Indiana, \$25. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$40; Central Illinois, \$50; Central New York, \$20; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$50; Cincinnati, \$80; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$100; East Ohio, \$50; Erie, \$90; Illinois, \$175; Indiana, \$95; Iowa, \$25; Kansas, \$70; Michigan, \$50; Minnesota, \$20 Nebraska, \$50; Newark, \$40; New England, \$25; New England Southern, \$50; New York East, \$25; North Indiana, \$95; Northern Ohio, \$50; Northern New York, \$150; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Northwest Iowa, \$50; Northwest Nebraska, \$5; Ohio, \$50; Philadelphia, \$40; Pittsburg, \$55; Southern Illinois, \$15; Southwest Kansas, \$190; Vermont, \$50; West Virginia, \$40; Wilmington, \$50; Wyoming, \$100. *Special*: Kentucky, \$50; Rock River, \$100; St. Louis, \$10; South Kansas, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Building and Improvements*: Baltimore, \$50; Central Illinois, \$50; Central Ohio, \$100; Des Moines, \$100; Detroit, \$100; New York, \$25; North Indiana, \$20 (Mrs. Bunyan, Mrs. Cline). *Windows*: Central Ohio, \$10; Cincinnati—Mrs. Robertson, \$10; Mrs. McCarty, \$10; Detroit, \$5; New York East, \$10; North Indiana, \$5; Pittsburg, \$5; Puget Sound, \$10; Southern Illinois, \$30.

E. L. RUST HOME.—*Salary*: Illinois, \$10. *Current Expenses*: Central Missouri, \$5; New York East, \$10; North Ohio, \$10; Puget Sound, \$10; Troy, \$10. *Student Aid*: Central Ohio, \$50; Cincinnati, \$10; Detroit, \$45; Erie, \$25; New York, \$10; North Ohio, \$50; Southern Illinois, \$10; Upper Iowa, \$25; Washington, \$10; Wilmington, \$5. *Special*: Central Ohio, \$25; Cincinnati, \$5; Detroit, \$15; Illinois, \$5; Lexington, \$5 (for improvements); Little Rock (Adeline Smith Home, Queen Esther Circle), \$5; Michigan, \$10; North Nebraska, \$10; Rock River, \$25; South Kansas, \$10.

BENNETT HOME.—*Salary*: Illinois, \$10; Pittsburg, \$10. *Current Expenses*: East Ohio, \$50; Wyoming, \$10. *Student Aid*: Central Pennsylvania, \$50; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$20; East Ohio, \$50; Erie, \$45; Illinois, \$40; Kentucky, \$50; New York, \$10; New York East, \$125; North Dakota, \$20; North Indiana, \$40; North Ohio, \$50; Northern Minnesota, \$25; Northwest Indiana, \$50; Rock River, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25; Wyoming, \$150. *Special*: Central Ohio, \$25; Tennessee, \$5; Ohio, \$25; Pittsburg, \$25; St. Louis, \$5; Upper Iowa, \$25.

BENNETT ACADEMY.—*Current Expenses*: Erie, \$50; North Ohio, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Student Aid*: Erie, \$20.

DICKSON HALL.—*Salary*: Des Moines, \$10; North Indiana, \$15. *Current Expenses*: Central Ohio, \$5; Cincinnati, \$5; North Ohio, \$45; Upper Iowa, \$25.

ADELINE SMITH HOME.—*Student Aid*: Central New York, \$95; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$50; Cincinnati, \$10; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$135; East Ohio, \$200; Genesee, \$25; Indiana, \$15; Kansas, \$50; Little Rock, \$80; Adeline Smith Queen Esther Circle, \$5; Michigan, \$50; Nebraska, \$50; New Hampshire, \$10; New York East, \$50; Northern Minnesota, \$20; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Northwest Iowa, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Ohio, \$25; Pittsburg, \$10; Rock River, \$185; St. Louis, \$60; Upper Iowa, \$100. *Special*: Des Moines, \$25; Detroit, \$10; Indiana, \$5; Northwest Nebraska, \$20; Northern New York, \$50; Ohio, \$5; St. Louis, \$15; South Kansas, \$5; Southern Illinois, \$10. *Building and Improvements*: Lexington, \$5; Little Rock, \$100; North Indiana, \$25. *Fire Escape*: Central Ohio, \$5; Mrs. Woodcock,

\$5; Newark, \$5; New Jersey, \$10; New York East, \$5; North Indiana, \$10; Ohio, \$5; Philadelphia, \$5; Pittsburg, \$10; Wyoming, \$10.

PECK SCHOOL OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE.—*Salary*: Des Moines, \$10. *Current Expenses*: Detroit, \$25. *Student Aid*: Central New York, \$15. *Special*: Alabama, \$5; New York, \$5; Northern Minnesota, \$5. *Building*: Central New York, \$500; Central Ohio, \$25; Cincinnati, \$10; Des Moines, \$100; Illinois, \$50; Indiana, \$10; Newark, \$50; North Indiana, \$25; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Northwest Iowa, \$50; Ohio, \$100; Rock River, \$100; Troy, \$25. *Window*: Adeline Smith Home Queen Esther Circle, \$10; New York East, \$10.

KING HOME.—*Salary*: Indiana, \$25. *Current Expenses*: East Ohio, \$50; Erie, \$50; New York East, \$10; North Indiana, \$25. *Student Aid*: Central New York, \$15; Central Ohio, \$50; Cincinnati, \$10; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$75; East Ohio, \$50; Erie, \$50; Genesee, \$25; Indiana, \$37; Iowa, \$50; Michigan, \$50; Nebraska, \$25; North Indiana, \$75; North Ohio, \$10; Northwest Iowa, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Special*: Illinois, \$5; Iowa, \$25; Newark, \$10; New York, \$10; Northern Minnesota, \$10; Northwest Indiana, \$25; Ohio, \$50; Rock River, \$25; South Kansas, \$10; Wisconsin, \$10. *Building and Improvements*: Central Pennsylvania, \$50; Detroit, \$50; Lexington, \$10; New York East, \$10; Texas, \$50.

ELIZA DEE HOME.—*Current Expenses*: East Ohio, \$25; Genesee, \$25; Michigan, \$25. *Salary*: West Texas, \$50. *Student Aid*: Des Moines, \$50; Iowa, \$50; North Ohio, \$10; Northern Minnesota, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Southwest Kansas, \$33; Troy, \$10; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Special*: Central Illinois, \$10; Detroit, \$60; Iowa, \$25; New York, \$10; North Nebraska, \$15; Ohio, \$50; Southern Illinois, \$10; Wisconsin, \$5. *Building*: East Ohio, \$25; New York East, \$5; Puget Sound, \$10; St. Louis, \$5.

REBECCA McCLESKEY HOME.—*Salary*: East Ohio, \$300, and \$40 for Librarian. *Current Expenses*: Indiana, \$5. *Student Aid*: Arizona, \$5; California, \$10; Central Illinois, \$300; Central New York, \$60; Cincinnati, \$310; Des Moines, \$200; Detroit, \$287.50; East Ohio, \$200; Erie, \$50; Genesee, \$40; Illinois, \$50; Indiana, \$120, and Queen Esther Circle, \$50; Iowa, \$50; Kentucky, \$25; Michigan, \$50; Minnesota, \$20; New England, \$75; New Hampshire, \$40; New Jersey, \$50; New York, \$50; New York East, \$215; North Dakota, \$80; North Indiana, \$130; North Ohio, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$50; Northern New York, \$50; Northwest Iowa, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$25; Ohio, \$50; Philadelphia, \$50; Puget Sound, \$15; Rock River, \$150; St. Louis, \$60; South Kansas, \$60; Southern Illinois, \$75; Southwest Kansas, \$150; Upper Iowa, \$25; Queen Esther Circle, \$5; Vermont, \$50; West Virginia, \$10. *Special*: Central New York, \$100; Genesee, \$10; Kansas, \$75; Newark, \$30; New England Southern, \$15; North Ohio, \$25; Northern New York, \$25. *Building*: Baltimore, \$35; Central Illinois, \$150; Central New York, \$90; Central Ohio, \$100; Cincinnati, \$47; Detroit, \$50; East Ohio, \$200; Erie, \$100; Lexington, \$5; Michigan, \$50; Nebraska, \$50; North Nebraska, \$20; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Philadelphia, \$50. *Windows*: Mrs. Woodcock, \$10; Puget Sound, \$10. *Furnishings*: Alabama, \$75. *Piano*: Northwest Indiana, \$300.

EBENEZER C. MITCHELL HOME.—*Salary*: Central Tennessee, \$50; East Ohio, \$300; Indiana, \$5; Pittsburg, \$10. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$40; Central Pennsylvania, \$100; Cincinnati, \$170; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$152.50; East Ohio, \$200; Genesee, \$20; Illinois, \$150; Indiana, \$70; Iowa, \$60; Lexington, \$10; New England Southern, \$100; New Hampshire, \$20; New Jersey, \$50; New York East, \$210; North Dakota, \$100; North Indiana, \$65; North Nebraska, \$100; Northwest Indiana,

\$100; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Ohio, \$50; Pittsburg, \$10; Puget Sound, \$50; Rock River, \$50; St. Louis, \$90; Southern Illinois, \$40; Troy, \$80; Upper Iowa, \$25; West Wisconsin, \$10. *Special*: Des Moines, \$25; Genesee, \$25; Iowa, \$10; Kentucky, \$50; Maine, \$25; Newark, \$50; New England, \$15; Pittsburg, \$5. *Building*: Alabama, \$15; Baltimore, \$40; Central Illinois, \$50; Central New York, \$100; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Cincinnati, \$60; Delaware, \$15; East Ohio, \$100; Erie, \$100; Illinois, \$160; Indiana, \$115; Kentucky, \$15; Lexington, \$50; Little Rock, \$15; Michigan, \$50; Minnesota, \$30; Nebraska, \$60; New Mexico (English), \$10; New York, \$20; North Dakota, \$15; North Nebraska, \$50; Northern Minnesota, \$35; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Ohio, \$250; Philadelphia, \$35; Puget Sound, \$20; Southern California, \$50; Southwest Kansas, \$30. *To Name Room*: New England Southern, \$100; North Indiana, \$125; North Ohio, \$100; Northwest Nebraska, \$100; Pittsburg, \$100; Southern Illinois, \$100. *Windows*: Philadelphia, \$10; Southern Illinois, \$20. *Furnishings*: North Indiana, \$67.50.

COMMUNITIES SCHOOLS.—*Salary*: Central New York, \$40; Central Ohio, \$50; Detroit, \$10; Indiana, \$20; Michigan, \$25; New York, \$10; Northern New York, \$50; Philadelphia, \$10; Southwest Kansas, \$200; New Jersey, \$25.

HIGHLAND WORK.—*Salary*: New Hampshire, \$15; New York, \$10; Wilmington, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$25.

UTAH.—*Salary*: California, \$10; Central New York, \$20; Colorado, \$5; Des Moines, \$50; East Ohio, \$150 (Provost); Illinois, \$20; Indiana, \$22; Iowa, \$25; Kansas, \$50; Newark, \$50; New England, \$25; New England Southern, \$10; New Hampshire, \$20; New Jersey, \$10; New York, \$10; Northern Minnesota, \$10; Northern New York, \$50; for Spring City: Pittsburg, \$15; Northwest Indiana, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$10; Ohio, \$25 (Elsinore); Pittsburg, \$15 (for Moroni); Puget Sound, \$50; Rock River, \$100; St. Louis, \$25; Troy, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$50; Wilmington, \$5; Wyoming, \$25. *Current Expenses*: New York East, \$20. *Special*: California, \$10; Central Ohio, \$50, and \$40 for school supplies; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Cincinnati, \$15; Erie, \$50; Genesee, \$25.

HARWOOD HOME.—*Salary*: Albuquerque District, \$100; Illinois, \$10; Nebraska, \$15; New York, \$15; North Nebraska, \$10. *Current Expenses*: Genesee, \$40. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$50; Central New York, \$25; Central Ohio, \$60; Central Pennsylvania, \$70; Cincinnati, \$10; Des Moines, \$60; Detroit, \$90; East Ohio, \$140; Erie, \$60; Indiana, \$55; Iowa, \$35; Kansas, \$70; Maine, \$15; Michigan, \$25; Nebraska, \$50; Newark, \$150; New England, \$70; New Mexico (English), \$86; New York, \$25; New York East, \$155; North Dakota, \$70; North Indiana, \$139; North Ohio, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$80; Northern New York, \$70; Northwest Indiana, \$70; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Ohio, \$60; Philadelphia, \$80; Puget Sound, \$30; St. Louis, \$25; Southwest Kansas, \$10; Troy, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Building*: Erie, \$50; New York, \$25.

TUCSON.—*Salary*: East Ohio, \$300; Minnesota, \$50. *Current Expenses*: Detroit, \$50; Troy, \$10. *Student Aid*: Central Pennsylvania, \$5; Des Moines, \$30; Detroit, \$120; Indiana, \$12; Michigan, \$25; Minnesota, \$80; Newark, \$140; New England Southern, \$15; New Jersey, \$60; New York, \$15; Northern New York, \$25; Northwest Kansas, \$10; Oregon, \$25; Philadelphia, \$11; Pittsburg, \$15; Puget Sound, \$30; St. Louis, \$50; Southern California, \$60; Southwest Kansas, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$25; Wilmington, \$50; Wyoming, \$70. *Building*: Alabama, \$10; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Des Moines, \$100; Erie, \$50; Illinois, \$60; Indiana, \$55;

Kansas, \$30; Newark, \$120; New York, \$10 (Queen Esther Circle); New York East, \$27.50; North Ohio, \$50; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Ohio, \$50; Philadelphia, \$10; Puget Sound, \$15 (for Isabella Horton room); Southern California, \$500, and \$100 for Frances DePauw room; Wilmington, \$10.

CLARK MEMORIAL—Central Pennsylvania, \$10; Cincinnati, Mrs. Aiken, \$5; Mrs. Thompson, \$5; Mrs. Williams, \$5; Detroit, Mrs. Robinson, \$10; East Ohio, \$25; Illinois, \$5; Michigan, \$50; Nebraska Mothers' Jewels Home, \$2; New Mexico (English), \$5; New York East, \$5; North Indiana, \$25; Ohio, \$25; Philadelphia, \$5; St. Louis, \$5; Troy, \$75.

EL PASO—Colorado, \$5; Newark, \$50; North Nebraska, \$30; Troy, \$10; New Mexico (English), \$50.

PORTO RICO—George O. Robinson Orphanage—*Salary*: Des Moines, \$30; Northern New York, \$320; Southern California, \$150. *Current Expenses*: Newark, \$25; North Indiana, \$11. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$50; California, \$10; Central Illinois, \$30; Central New York, \$40; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$65; Cincinnati, \$70; Des Moines, \$40; East Ohio, \$80; Illinois, \$50; Indiana, \$30; Kansas, \$100; Little Rock, \$14; Maine, \$30; Michigan, \$40; Minnesota, \$50; Nebraska, \$30; Mothers' Jewels Home, \$2; Newark, \$120; New England Southern, \$40; New Hampshire, \$15; New Jersey, \$40; New York East, \$105; North Indiana, \$105; North Ohio, \$40; Northern Minnesota, \$80; Northern New York, \$25; Northwest Indiana, \$80; Northwest Ohio, \$40; Ohio, \$40; Philadelphia, \$121; Pittsburg, \$10; Puget Sound, \$15; Rock River, \$50; St. Louis, \$60; Troy, \$50; Wilmington, \$40; Wyoming, \$40. *Special*: Detroit, \$50; Genesee, \$25; Illinois, \$25; Rock River, \$250; South Kansas, \$15; Upper Iowa, \$10.

MCKINLEY DAY SCHOOL, SAN JUAN—*Current Expenses*: Indiana, \$15. *Student Aid*: Central Illinois, \$30; Central Ohio, \$15; Central Pennsylvania, \$60; Cincinnati, \$30; Des Moines, \$30; East Ohio, \$45; Genesee, \$15; Illinois, \$15; Indiana, \$45; Iowa, \$25; Michigan, \$30; Nebraska, \$15; Newark, \$15; New England, \$30; New England Southern, \$25; New Jersey, \$15; New York, \$15; New York East, \$75; Northern Indiana, \$30; Northern Minnesota, \$15; Northern New York, \$15; Ohio, \$30; Pittsburg, \$35; Southern California, \$15; Southern Illinois, \$30; Southwest Kansas, \$90; Wilmington, \$15. *Special*: Central New York, \$50; Newark, \$15; New York, \$10; New York East, \$10; Pittsburg, \$25; Rock River, \$50.

DAY SCHOOL, PONCE—Newark, \$30; New York East, \$10; Ohio (for Nurse and Dispensary), \$50; Puget Sound, \$10; Wisconsin, \$10.

DAY SCHOOL, VIEQUES—Central New York, \$40; New York, \$10; New York East, \$10; Newark, \$100; Pittsburg, \$25; Troy, \$50; Ohio, \$50.

TRAINING SCHOOL AT PORTO RICO—Lexington, \$5; Newark, \$40; New York East, \$15.

MCKINLEY DAY SCHOOL—Newark, \$40.

STUDENTS FROM PORTO RICO FOR RUST HALL—Des Moines, \$10; Detroit, \$15; East Ohio, \$10; California, \$5; Central Ohio, \$5; Cincinnati, \$5; Minnesota, \$10; Michigan, \$10; New York East, \$5; Ohio, \$10; Philadelphia, \$5; St. Louis, \$5; Troy, \$10; Wyoming, \$10; Upper Iowa, \$10.

FRANCES DEPAUW SCHOOL—*Current Expenses*: Central Ohio, \$25; East Ohio, \$50; Indiana, \$10; New York East, \$10; Troy, \$25; Wilmington, \$10; Wyoming, \$10. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$25; California, \$15; Central Illinois, \$50; Central New York, \$30; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$5; Cincinnati, \$25; Des Moines, \$30; Detroit, \$65; East

Ohio, \$50; Erie, 55; Indiana, 30; Iowa, \$50; Maine, \$10; Michigan, \$50; New York, \$20; North Indiana, \$20; North Ohio, \$15; Northern Minnesota, \$20; Ohio, \$25; Pittsburg, \$20; Puget Sound, \$15; Rock River, \$50; St. Louis, \$5; Southern California, \$1,200; Upper Iowa, \$30. *Special*: California, \$10; Central Illinois, \$10; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Colorado, \$5; Genesee, \$10; Illinois, \$5; Indiana, \$5; Michigan, \$25; New England, \$10; North Ohio, \$10; Pittsburg, \$25 (from Bradley Home); South Kansas, \$5; Southern Illinois, \$20. *Improvements*: Erie, \$25.

NAVAJOS—*Salary*: Central Illinois, \$10; Indiana, \$25 (for Roy Palmer); Northwest Indiana, \$10; Pittsburg, \$5; Southern Illinois, \$20 (for Roy Palmer). *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$25; California, \$10; Central Pennsylvania, \$5; Cincinnati, \$10; Colorado, \$5; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$5 (Queen Esther Circle); East Ohio, \$200; Indiana, \$20; Kentucky, \$5; Nebraska, \$25; New Jersey, \$100; New Mexico (English), \$50; North Ohio, \$10; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Oregon, \$30; Pittsburg, \$60; Puget Sound, \$5; Rock River, \$300; St. Louis, \$80; South Kansas, \$50; Southwest Kansas, \$100; Troy, \$150; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Special*: Alabama, \$10; Central New York, \$10 (for irrigation); Central Ohio, \$30; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Des Moines, \$35; Detroit, \$25; Detroit, \$50 (Queen Esther Circle); Erie, \$25 (for irrigation); Genesee, \$15; Michigan, \$15 (for irrigation); New Jersey, \$5; Newark, \$60; New York, 55; New York East, \$60; Northern New York, \$5; Northwest Indiana, \$10; Ohio, \$25; Philadelphia, \$35; Rock River, \$200; St. Louis, \$35; Troy, \$300; Wilmington, \$25. *Building*: Northern Minnesota, \$25.

PONCAS.—East Ohio, \$25; Genesee, \$10; Northwest Indiana, \$10; Ohio, \$10; Upper Iowa, \$25.

POTOWATOMIES—*Current Expenses*: Central Ohio, \$25; East Ohio, \$25; New York East, \$10. *Salary*: Illinois, \$25; Newark, \$10; North Nebraska, \$40; Northern New York, \$5; Northwest Indiana, \$20; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Ohio, \$10; Rock River, \$25; St. Louis, \$25; South Kansas, \$20; Troy, \$25. *Special*: Cincinnati, \$20; Genesee, \$5; Northwest Indiana, \$10.

STICKNEY HOME—*Salary*: Central Pennsylvania, \$10; Illinois, \$5; Puget Sound, \$50. *Current Expenses*: Indiana, \$5; New England, \$20; New York East, \$50; North Nebraska, \$10; Pittsburg, \$2.50. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$25; California, \$5; Central Illinois, \$20; Central New York, \$40; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$40; Cincinnati, \$40; Detroit, \$80; East Ohio, \$50; Indiana, \$5; Iowa, \$60; Michigan, \$20; Minnesota, \$5; New York East, \$75; North Dakota, \$5; North Ohio, \$10; Northern New York, \$25; Northwest Iowa, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Ohio, \$25; Oregon, \$75; Philadelphia, \$50; Pittsburg, \$50; Puget Sound, \$160; Southern California, \$60; Southern Illinois, \$10; Southwest Kansas, \$7; Troy, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25; Vermont, \$25; Wilmington, \$25; Wyoming, \$50. *Special*: Detroit, \$60; New England Southern, \$15; New Hampshire, \$15; Rock River, \$150.

YUMAS—*Salary*: Central Pennsylvania, \$20; East Ohio, \$50; Michigan, \$10; Newark, \$5; Ohio, \$10; Philadelphia, \$10; Pittsburg, \$10; Southern California, \$500. *Current Expenses*: Central New York, \$10; Cincinnati, \$10; Colorado, \$10; Des Moines, \$5; Erie, \$50; New York East, \$10; North Indiana, \$12.50. *Medicine*: California, \$10; New York, \$5; New York East, \$5; North Nebraska, \$5; Oregon, \$5; Philadelphia, \$5; Pittsburg, \$10. *Building*: New England, \$20; Southern California, \$100.

UKIAH—*Salary*: New York, \$5; New York East, \$5; North Indiana, \$15; Northern New York, \$5; Northwest Indiana, \$10. *Current Expenses*: North Indiana, \$12.50.

GREENVILLE—*Salary*: California, \$10; Central Illinois, \$40; Cincinnati, \$10; Colorado, \$10; Des Moines, \$25; Detroit, \$25; East Ohio, \$25; Iowa, \$25; Michigan, \$10; New York East, \$5; North Nebraska, \$5; Northwest Indiana, \$10; Ohio, \$10; St. Louis, \$10; Southern California, \$75; Upper Iowa, \$25.

JESSE LEE HOME—*Salary*: Baltimore, \$25; Illinois, \$25; Pittsburg, \$12.50. *Current Expenses*: Detroit, \$50. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$120; California, \$10; Central Ohio, \$75; Central Pennsylvania, \$70; Des Moines, \$60; Detroit, \$120; East Ohio, \$70; Erie, \$60; Genesee, \$20; Indiana, \$45; Iowa, \$50; Maine, \$10; Michigan, \$60; Michigan (Home Guards), \$10; Minnesota, \$70; Nebraska, \$25; New England, \$30; New England Southern, \$30; New Hampshire, \$50; New Jersey, \$120; New York, \$20; New York East, \$80; North Dakota, \$10; North Indiana, \$60; North Ohio, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$240; Northern New York, \$50; Northwest Indiana, \$120; Northwest Iowa, \$60; Northwest Kansas, \$15; Ohio, \$60; Oregon, \$75; Philadelphia, \$80; Pittsburg, \$85; Puget Sound, \$120; St. Louis, \$85; South Carolina, \$180; Southwest Kansas, \$2; Troy, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25; West Virginia, \$5; Wyoming, \$100. *Special*: Alabama, \$10; Iowa, \$25; Kansas, \$50; North Dakota, \$15; North Nebraska, \$25; Northern New York, \$50; Pittsburg, \$20; Rock River, \$200; St. Louis, \$15; South Kansas, \$10; Southern Illinois, \$10; Southwest Kansas, \$100. *Hospital*: Baltimore, \$25; Central New York, \$40; East Ohio, \$100; Erie, \$40; Michigan, \$25.

SINUK—*Current Expenses*: East Maine, \$25; East Ohio, \$25; Pittsburg, \$10; Puget Sound, \$50. *Student Aid*: Cincinnati, \$35; New England, \$25; New York, \$10; New York East, \$110; Northern Minnesota, \$80; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Oregon, \$75; Philadelphia, \$10; Puget Sound, \$100; Southwest Kansas, \$7.50; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Special*: Detroit, \$25; Illinois, \$10; Iowa, \$50; Nebraska, \$50; New England Southern, \$40; North Dakota, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$175; Northern New York, \$5; Ohio, \$25; Pittsburg, \$25; South Kansas, \$20; Southern Illinois, \$15; Troy, \$50; Wisconsin, \$10. *Reindeer*: Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Genesee, \$20; New Jersey, \$5; North Indiana, \$10. *Building*: California, \$10; Central Illinois, \$25; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; Des Moines, \$100; Erie, \$100; Genesee, \$10; Michigan, \$25; Newark, \$50; New York, \$5; North Ohio, \$25; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Philadelphia, \$40; St. Louis, \$25; Southern California, \$260; Mrs. Frances G. Dumble, for the dispensary, \$75.

IMMIGRANT WORK, NEW YORK CITY—*Salary*: Baltimore, \$25; Des Moines, \$50; Illinois, \$25. *Current Expenses*: Central Illinois, \$50; Central New York, \$25; East Ohio, \$25; Indiana, \$25; Michigan, \$50; Nebraska, \$25; Newark, \$50; New Jersey, \$10; Pittsburg, \$15. *Special*: Baltimore, \$25; California, \$10; Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$10; Erie, \$150; Genesee, \$40; Kansas, \$25; Minnesota, \$15; New York, \$300; New York East, \$132.50; Northern Minnesota, \$10; Northern New York, \$50; Northwest Indiana, \$25; Ohio, \$50; St. Louis, \$20; South Kansas, \$15; Southern California, \$25; Southwest Kansas, \$50; Troy, \$50; Upper Iowa, \$25; Wilmington, \$50; Wyoming, \$25.

EAST BOSTON—*Salary*: Des Moines, \$20. *Current Expenses*: East Ohio, \$25; Nebraska, \$25; North Ohio, \$25; Pittsburg, \$10. *Special*: Iowa, \$25; Maine, \$10; Michigan, \$25; Minnesota, \$20; New England, \$500; New England Southern, \$20; New Hampshire, \$35; New York, \$10; Ohio, \$25; Wyoming, \$25.

PHILADELPHIA—*Salary*: Des Moines, \$20; Philadelphia, \$120.

SAN PEDRO—Southern California, \$300.

SEATTLE—Ohio, \$5.

CHINESE WORK, SAN FRANCISCO.—*Student Aid:* Baltimore, \$100; Cincinnati, \$40; Des Moines, \$70; Illinois, \$60; Indiana, \$115; Iowa, \$25; Maine, \$15; Michigan, \$50; Minnesota, \$10; New England, \$35; New York East, \$62.50; North Indiana, \$50; Northern Minnesota, \$50; Northern New York, \$15; Northwest Indiana, \$60; Northwest Iowa, \$70; Northwest Kansas, \$25; Ohio, \$70; Oregon, \$50; Puget Sound, \$50; St. Louis, \$92.50; Southwest Kansas, \$3; Upper Iowa, \$70; West Virginia, \$5; West Wisconsin, \$10; Wyoming, \$70. *Kindergarten:* Central Illinois, \$30; Central New York, \$40; Des Moines, \$15; East Ohio, \$45; Genesee, \$15; Illinois, \$15; New Jersey, \$15; Nebraska, \$30; Newark, \$15; New Hampshire, \$5; North Ohio, \$10; Northern Minnesota, \$30; Ohio, \$15. *Special:* Alabama, \$10; California, \$1,000; Central Ohio, \$50; Detroit, \$10; East Ohio, \$100; Iowa, \$25; Kansas, \$10; New England Southern, \$25; North Indiana, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$150; Northern New York, \$50; Oklahoma, \$15; Rock River, \$200; South Kansas, \$25; Troy, \$50; Wilmington, \$35. *Building:* Baltimore, \$25; California, \$30 (Queen Esther Circle); Central New York, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$50 (Queen Esther Circle); Erie, \$100; Kansas, \$100; Kentucky, \$10; Michigan, \$50; Nebraska, \$250; Newark, \$25; New York East, \$25; New York, \$10; North Nebraska, \$25; North Ohio, \$100; Northwest Indiana, \$100; Ohio, \$100; Philadelphia, \$5; Puget Sound, \$10; Southern California, \$100; Southwest Kansas, \$100; Wyoming, \$100.

CHINESE WORK, LOS ANGELES.—*Student Aid:* Oklahoma, \$15. *Special:* Central Illinois, \$15.

JAPANESE AND KOREAN WORK.—*Salary:* Pittsburg, \$10. *Current Expenses:* Genesee, \$10; Northern Minnesota, \$50. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, \$60; Central New York, \$15; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; East Tennessee, \$60; Iowa, \$25; Maine, \$10; Michigan, \$50; Minnesota, \$10; Nebraska, \$25; Newark, \$30; New Hampshire, \$5; New Jersey, \$60; New York East, \$40; North Dakota, \$25; North Indiana, \$60; North Nebraska, \$30; North Ohio, \$25; Northern Minnesota, \$10; Northwest Indiana, \$60; Northwest Kansas, \$30; Ohio, \$60; Oklahoma, \$15; Oregon, \$25; Philadelphia, \$30; Pittsburg, \$10; Puget Sound, \$50; St. Louis, \$60; Southern California, \$60; Southern Illinois, \$30; Southwest Kansas, \$7.50; Upper Iowa, \$30; Wyoming, \$60. *Kindergarten:* Central Illinois, \$15; Des Moines, \$15; East Ohio, \$45; Florida, \$15; New Jersey, \$15; New York East, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$15; St. Louis, \$40. *Special:* California, \$800; Central Ohio, \$50; Des Moines, \$60; Detroit, \$25; East Ohio, \$100; Genesee, \$10; Kansas, \$25; Michigan, \$50; New England, \$20; New York, \$20; Northern New York, \$25; Rock River, \$100; South Kansas, \$25; Southern California, \$100; Troy, \$50. *Building:* Illinois, \$25; Pittsburg, \$30. *Furnishings:* Michigan, \$15.

JAPANESE AND KOREAN WORK, LOS ANGELES.—*Current Expenses:* Cincinnati, \$5; Illinois, \$10; New York East, \$5; North Nebraska, \$10; Pittsburg, \$10; Wilmington, \$5. *Special:* Central Illinois, \$15; East Ohio, \$10; Genesee, \$10; Michigan, \$10; Southern California, \$100; Philadelphia, \$5.

HAWAII.—*Salary:* Des Moines, \$25; Illinois, \$50; Indiana, \$15; Puget Sound, \$30. *Current Expenses:* Central Ohio, \$15; Central Pennsylvania, \$25; East Ohio, \$100; Kansas, \$10; Michigan, \$50; Oklahoma, \$25; Troy, \$75. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, \$50; Central Illinois, \$60; Des Moines, \$60; Indiana, \$10; Little Rock, \$5 (from Adeline Smith Home); Michigan, \$50; Minnesota, \$35; Newark, \$25; New England, \$30; New York, \$15; New York East, \$15; North Indiana, \$40; North Ohio, \$15; Northern Minnesota, \$25; Northern New York, \$25; Oklahoma, \$15; Philadelphia, \$10; Pittsburg, \$25; Puget Sound, \$100; St. Louis, \$70; Southern California, \$60; Southern Illinois, \$10; Troy, \$10 (Queen Esther

Circle); Upper Iowa, \$25; Washington, \$5; West Wisconsin, \$10; Wyoming, \$70. *Special*: California, \$200; Detroit, \$45; Genesee, \$35; Nebraska, \$25; New York, \$10; Northern New York, \$50; Ohio, \$50; Rock River, \$100; Southwest Kansas, \$100. *Building*: Indiana, \$20; Philadelphia, \$5.

MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME.—*Salary*: North Nebraska, \$100. *Current Expenses*: Erie, \$50; Troy, — (from Italian Children). *Student Aid*: Alabama, \$5; Central Illinois, \$25; Central Pennsylvania, \$100; Cincinnati, \$10; East Ohio, \$50; Iowa, \$50; Maine, \$20; Michigan, \$50; New England Southern, \$25; New Hampshire, \$10; North Indiana, \$25; Northern New York, \$50; Northwest Indiana, \$50; Northwest Kansas, \$25; Ohio, \$25; Southern Illinois, \$50; Southwest Kansas, \$87.50; Upper Iowa, \$25; Utah Mission, \$50; Wyoming, \$50. *Special*: Des Moines, \$100; Detroit, \$40; Iowa, \$25; Kansas, \$25; North Dakota, \$25; Ohio, \$35; St. Louis, \$10; Southern California, \$75. *Building*: Central New York, \$50.

WATTS DE PEYSTER.—*Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$25; Central New York, \$10; Central Pennsylvania, \$140; Genesee, \$15; Illinois, \$10; Maine, \$70; Michigan, \$50; Nebraska, \$2; Newark, \$72; New England, \$30; New England Southern, \$35; New York, \$1,600; New York East, \$140; North Indiana, \$15; Northern New York, \$70; Ohio, \$25; Philadelphia, \$77; South Carolina, \$10; Southwest Kansas, \$10; Troy, \$375; Wilmington, \$50; Wyoming, \$80. *Special*: Central New York, \$10 (for farmer); Genesee, \$15; Newark, \$50; Pittsburg, \$50; Troy, \$125. *Building*: Central Pennsylvania, \$10.

ELIZABETH BRADLEY HOME.—*Current Expenses*: East Ohio, \$25; Genesee, \$20; Philadelphia, \$5; Pittsburg, \$5,000; Southern California, \$5. *Student Aid*: Michigan, \$10; Nebraska, \$2 (from Mothers' Jewels Home); Newark, \$100; New York, \$10; North Indiana, \$10; Wilmington, \$5. *Special*: Cincinnati, Mrs. Robinson, \$5; Mrs. McCarty, \$5; Mrs. Thompson, \$5; East Ohio, \$10; New York East, \$5; Northern New York, \$5; Troy, \$25.

CUNNINGHAM ORPHANAGE.—*Current Expenses*: Central Illinois, \$50; Erie, \$25; Indiana, \$5; Iowa, \$50; Kansas, \$60; Nebraska, \$2 (from Mothers' Jewels Home); Newark, \$10; New York East, \$25. *Special*: Detroit, \$30; Illinois, \$1,500. *Student Aid*: Central Illinois, \$100; Central New York, \$20; Genesee, \$10; Kentucky, \$15; Michigan, \$20; New York, \$5; North Dakota, \$25; North Indiana, \$20; North Ohio, \$25; Puget Sound, \$25; Rock River, \$100. *Building*: Central Ohio, \$25; Genesee, \$5; Oklahoma, \$10; St. Louis, \$10; Southern Illinois, \$100; West Wisconsin, \$5.

MARCY HOME.—*Salary*: Oklahoma, \$10. *Current Expenses*: Erie, \$25; Michigan, \$50; North Indiana, \$25. *Student Aid*: Iowa, \$25; Northwest Kansas, \$5; Southwest Kansas, \$5. *Special*: California, \$5; Central Illinois, \$100; Central New York, \$10; Central Ohio, \$25; Des Moines, \$50; Detroit, \$50; Iowa, \$50; Minnesota, \$5; Northwest Indiana, \$100, and \$25 for Deaconess Work; Ohio, \$10; Rock River, \$3,560; South Kansas, \$10; Upper Iowa, \$25. *Jewish Work*: Alabama, \$10; California, \$10; Cincinnati, \$15; Indiana, \$24; Little Rock, \$10; Newark, \$15; Puget Sound, \$15; Southwest Kansas, \$10; Tennessee, \$50; Troy, \$50; Wilmington, \$10; West Wisconsin, \$10. *Building*: Alabama, \$10; Kansas, \$50.

MISS JOHANNSEN'S WORK.—Erie, \$10; Central Ohio, \$25; East Ohio, \$10; Central Illinois, \$25; South Kansas, \$20; Upper Iowa, \$10.

LUCY WEBB HAYES NATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL.—*Current Expenses*: Genesee, \$25. *Student Aid*: Baltimore, \$250; Central New York, \$125; Central Ohio, \$137; Central Pennsylvania, \$125; Cincinnati, \$125; Des

Moines, \$10; East Ohio, \$375; Erie, \$20; Genesee, \$275; Illinois, \$125; Indiana, \$175; Kansas, \$10; Kentucky, \$55; Maine, \$125; Michigan, \$10; Minnesota, \$110; New England Southern, \$50; New Jersey, \$100; New York, \$50; North Indiana, \$235; North Ohio, \$125; Northern New York, \$100; Ohio, \$125; Philadelphia, \$137; Troy, \$100; Upper Iowa, \$50; West Virginia, \$10; Wilmington, \$125; Wyoming, \$50. *Special*: Central New York, \$40; Newark, \$175; New England, \$50; Northern New York, \$100; Ohio, \$100 (for reading room); Troy, \$50; Wilmington, \$10. PERMANENT DEACONESS FUND.—East Ohio, \$100; Philadelphia, \$100; New Jersey, \$5.

FISK TRAINING SCHOOL.—*Student Aid*: Central Illinois, \$100; Illinois, \$50; Indiana, \$112; Kansas, \$100; Nebraska, \$100; New York, \$50; North Indiana, \$25; North Nebraska, \$100; Northern Minnesota, \$65; Northwest, Iowa, \$100; Northwest Kansas, \$25; St. Louis, \$100; South Kansas, \$100; Southern Illinois, \$200; Southwest Kansas, \$130; Upper Iowa, \$50. *Special*: Detroit, \$10; Iowa, \$10; St. Louis, \$35. *Building*: Kansas, \$50; St. Louis, \$100.

NATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL, SAN FRANCISCO.—*Student Aid*: California, \$1,000; Central Illinois, \$25; Columbia River, \$10; Genesee, \$10; Newark, \$5; New York, \$5; North Indiana, \$35; Oregon, \$150; Pittsburgh, \$10; Puget Sound, \$100; Southern California, \$300; Upper Iowa, \$50. *Special*: Wilmington, \$10; Wisconsin, \$5.

COLORED TRAINING SCHOOL, NASHVILLE, TENN.—*Student Aid*: Cincinnati, \$10; Central Ohio, \$10; Colorado, \$10; Central New York, \$10; Des Moines, \$10; Delaware, \$125; Illinois, \$10; New York, \$5; New York East, \$5; Philadelphia, \$5; Lexington (Auxiliary) \$10, (Queen Esther Circle) \$10; Northern Minnesota, \$5; Newark, \$10; Troy, \$10; Pittsburgh, \$20; Wilmington, \$10; Wyoming, \$10; Southern California, \$20; Puget Sound, \$25. *Building Fund*: St. Louis Conference, St. Louis, \$40; West Texas, \$45; Lexington, \$40; Delaware, \$15; Washington, \$40; East Ohio, \$25; Wisconsin, \$5; Lexington Auxiliary, \$40. *Special*: Texas, \$50; Detroit, \$10; Mrs. Seeds, \$5.

GRAHAM HOSPITAL.—Iowa Conference, \$300.

INDIANA HOSPITAL, INDIANAPOLIS.—North Indiana Conference, \$600.

BURGE HOSPITAL.—St. Louis Conference, \$35.

METHODIST HOSPITAL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.—Southern California Conference, \$10,000.

BANCROFT REST HOME.—Baltimore, \$25; Central Pennsylvania, \$10; Genesee, \$15; North Indiana, \$15; New York, \$30; New York East, \$50; New Jersey, \$35; North Nebraska, \$35; Newark, \$50; Michigan, \$50; Philadelphia, \$47; Rock River, \$25; Washington, \$1; Wyoming, \$25.

WING REST HOME.—Southern California, \$300; Pittsburgh, \$10.

THOMPSON REST HOME.—New York, \$10; Baltimore, \$25.

HULL STREET MEDICAL MISSION.—*Special*: Central Ohio, \$50; Central Pennsylvania, \$15; Des Moines, \$10; Detroit, \$10; Maine, \$10; New England Southern, \$50; New Hampshire, \$35; New Jersey, \$10; North Ohio, \$50; Northern New York, \$50; Ohio, \$25; Puget Sound, \$15; Troy, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$25; Wyoming, \$10. *Current Expenses*: California, \$10; Central Illinois, \$50; East Ohio, \$50; Michigan, \$25; New England, \$1,700; New York, \$15; New York East, \$10; North Indiana, \$10; North Nebraska, \$25; Pittsburgh, \$20.

GLENN HOME.—Cincinnati, \$2,020; California, \$10; Indiana, \$5; Lexington, \$10; North Indiana, \$30.

ITALIAN WORK.—Central Pennsylvania Conference, for Altoona Italian Missions, \$150.

ITALIAN WORK.—Utica, New York, Northern New York Conference, \$800.

ITALIAN WORK.—Astoria, Long Island, New York, \$100.
 ITALIAN WORK.—New Haven, Connecticut, \$125.
 ITALIAN WORK.—Youngstown, Ohio, East Ohio Conference, \$100.
 ITALIAN WORK.—New Orleans, Northwest Indiana Conference, \$25.
 SWEDISH WORK, CENTRAL SWEDISH CONFERENCE, BROOKLYN.—Central Illinois Conference, \$25.
 CONFERENCE WORK.—Puget Sound Conference, \$800.
 OREGON CONFERENCE CITY MISSIONARY WORK.—\$500.
 CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.—Hazelton Deaconess, \$150; Mt. Carmel Deaconess, \$120; Beaver Brook Deaconess, \$96; Altoona Italian Mission, \$150.
 NORTHERN MINNESOTA INDIAN WORK IN CONFERENCE.—\$115.
 UPPER IOWA, SILENT WORK.—\$100;
 UPPER IOWA, BOHEMIAN WORK.—\$100.
 PITTSBURG CONFERENCE WORK.—Bradley Home, \$5,000; Deaconess Home, \$3,000; Coke Work, near Uniontown, \$1,000.
 SILVER OFFERING.—Indiana Conference, \$25; Washington Conference, \$100.
 INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES.—Ring for Boaz, \$75; Watts de Peyster Quilt for Chinese Home, \$9.25; grand month's pledges for Tucson Building Fund, \$91; Colored Training School, \$9.50; Mrs. Mary King, for El Paso, \$2, and Mitchell, \$5; "A Friend," for Frances DePauw, \$5; Simpson Dining Room, \$125.

MRS. S. J. TURNER, *Secretary of Finance Committee.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

MRS. GEORGE H. THOMPSON, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
AUGUST 1, 1908, to AUGUST 1, 1909.

RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

(Note.—Young People's and Children's work detailed in Statistical Reports of Bureau Secretaries.)

Alabama Conference.

Mrs. Nusie McNerney, Treasurer, Boaz, Ala.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$7; collections, \$37. Total General Fund, \$44.
Grand Total Cash, \$44.

Arizona Mission Conference.

Mrs. Robert Longmore, Treasurer, Mesa, Maricopa Co., Ariz.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$158.90. Total General Fund, \$158.90.
SPECIAL FUND.—Building Improvements, \$13.70. Total Special Fund, \$13.70.
Grand Total Cash, \$172.60.
By vouchers, \$518.70.

Arkansas Conference.

Mrs. W. R. Nelson, Treasurer, Rogers, Ark.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$29.70; thank-offering, \$1.86; life member, \$100. Total General Fund, \$131.56.
Grand Total Cash, \$131.56.

Atlanta Conference.

Mrs. L. J. Price, Treasurer, Atlanta, Ga.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$92.96. Total General Fund, \$92.96.
SILVER OFFERING.—\$2.50. Total Silver Offering, \$2.50.
SPECIAL FUND.—Thayer Building and Improvement, \$61.37. Total Special Fund, \$61.37.
Grand Total Cash, \$156.83.
By vouchers, \$57.50.

Austin Conference.

Mrs. E. B. Alling, Treasurer, 604 Nolan St., San Antonio, Tex.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$12.65; Contingent Fund, 50 cents. Total General Fund, \$13.15.
Grand Total Cash, \$13.15.

Baltimore Conference.

Mrs. M. E. Brown, Treasurer, 1411 K St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,302.98; life member, \$10; printing, \$2; salary, \$27; thank-offering, \$3. Total General Fund, \$2,344.98.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$12.70. Total Silver Offering, \$12.70.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$56; Browning, \$2.50; Frances DePauw, \$16; Walter DePeyster, \$25.71; Chinese, \$105.90; Harwood, \$50; Hawaii, \$9; L. W. Hayes, \$134.35; Japanese, \$108.50; Jesse Lee, \$102; McKinley, \$12; Mitchell, \$31.50; Navajos, \$51.40; Porto Rico, \$111.50; Geo. O. Robinson, \$27; Ritter, \$110; Stickney, \$25; Tucson, \$5; Thayer, \$3.

Total Student Aid, \$986.36.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$203.50; Boaz, \$19.10; Chinese, \$50.10; Harwood, \$10; Hawaii, \$2; Jesse Lee, \$26; Mitchell, \$39.50; New York Immigrant, \$21; Porto Rico, \$12; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$28; Ritter, \$20; Sibley Hospital, \$20; Simuk, \$18.

Total Special Fund, \$469.20.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,813.24.

Vouchers, \$8,814.31.

California Conference.

Mrs. Abbie Studley, Treasurer, 727 Shotwell St., San Francisco.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$660.97; printing, \$5. Total General Fund, \$665.97.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$15; Boaz, \$10; DePauw, \$10; W. DePeyster, \$5; Greenville Mission, \$10; Harwood, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$5; McKinley, \$15; Navajos, \$27; Porto Rico, \$5; Stickney, \$35; A. Smith, \$15; Thayer, \$5; Tucson, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$172.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boylan, \$10; Brewster, \$5; Glenn, \$10; Building and Improvement Fund, \$10.35; Marcy, \$10; New York Immigrant, \$10; Utah, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$50.35.

Grand Total Cash, \$898.32.

Vouchers, \$19,138.85.

Central Alabama Conference.

Mrs. E. J. Fisher, Treasurer, Oxford, Ala.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$12.

Total General Fund, \$12.

Grand Total Cash, \$12.

Central Illinois Conference.

Mrs. Ella G. Taylor, Treasurer, 904 19th Street, Rock Island, Ill.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,210.26; mite-boxes, \$131.45; printing, \$10; thank-offering, \$236.01. Total General Fund, \$1,577.72.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$305.50; Bennett, \$50; Chinese, \$30; Cunningham, \$67.70; DePauw, \$41.25; Fisk, \$98; Hawaii, \$60; Japanese, \$28.50; King, \$50; Mitchell, \$30; McKinley, \$30; Marcy, \$7.50; Mothers' Jewels, \$18.80; Geo. O. Robinson, \$32; Ritter, \$50.20; Thayer, \$13.

Total Student Aid, \$912.45.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$120; Building and Improvement, \$31; Cunningham, \$38.66; Harwood, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$5; Mitchell, \$26.39; Mothers' Jewels, \$6.20; Marcy, \$100; New York Immigrant, \$50; Ritter, \$15; Simuk, \$33.25; Stickney, \$31.50; Utah, \$45; Yumas, \$15.

Total Special Fund, \$567.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,057.17.

By vouchers, \$307.

Bequest from estate of Orpha S. Munger, Monmouth, Ill., \$100.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Central Missouri Conference.

Mrs. Wm. Moss, Treasurer, Armstrong, Mo.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$98.49; mite-boxes, \$12.61; salary, \$1.
Total General Fund, \$112.10.
STUDENT AID.—Thayer, \$18.35.
Total Student Aid, \$18.35.
SPECIAL FUND.—Thayer, \$5.
Total Special Fund, \$5.
 Grand Total Cash, \$135.45.

Central New York Conference.

Mrs. Addie G. Sager, Treasurer, 123 South Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$3,293.73; thank-offering, \$50.13; printing, \$1.25.
Total General Fund, \$3,345.11.
SILVER OFFERING.—\$150.01.
Total Silver Offering, \$150.01.
STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$20; Boaz, \$140; Bradley, \$20; Bennett, \$15; Browning, \$85.75; Brewster, \$14.25; Chinese, \$118.50; Cunningham, \$6; Community Schools, \$65; E. Dee, \$27; Frances DePauw, \$31.92; Watts DePeyster, \$8; L. W. Hayes, \$69; Harwood, \$20; Haven, \$30; Japanese, \$40.60; King, \$10; Jesse Lee, \$10; Marcy, \$20; Mitchell, \$160; Mothers' Jewels, \$33.41; Navajos, \$30; Pottawatomies, \$5; Geo. O. Robinson, \$15; Porto Rico, \$88.13; Ritter, \$76.05; Stickney, \$58.97; A. Smith, \$175; Swedish Work, \$10.10; Thayer, \$20; Tucson, \$10; Utah, \$45.
Total Student Aid, \$1,477.68.
SPECIAL FUND.—Alaska, \$5; Boaz, \$61.50; Browning, \$10; Bennett, \$10; Building and Improvement Fund, \$246.80; Chinese, \$10; Cunningham, \$20; Eliza Dee, \$10; Haven, \$10; L. W. Hayes, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$10; Mitchell, \$151.20; Mothers' Jewels, \$5.62; New York Immigrant, \$31; Navajos, \$26.14; Geo. O. Robinson, \$35; Stickney, \$9.96; Sinuk, \$10; El Paso, \$10.
Total Special Fund, \$677.22.
 Grand Total Cash, \$5,650.02.
 By vouchers, \$263.87.

Central Ohio Conference.

Mrs. F. J. Halliday, Treasurer, Delaware, Ohio.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,853.59; General Fund, \$15; mite-boxes, \$96.78; printing, \$20.07; salary, \$362.26; thank-offering, \$155.52.
Total General Fund, \$3,503.22.
STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$50; Bennett, \$25; Boaz, \$3.10; Eliza Dee, \$25; Francis DePauw, \$50; Watts DePeyster, \$25; Hawaii, \$25; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Harwood, \$25; Haven, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$75; Geo. O. Robinson, \$50; E. L. Rust, \$50; Ritter, \$50; Sinuk, \$50; A. Smith, \$50; Stickney, \$25; Thayer, \$50.
Total Student Aid, \$778.10.
SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$1.75; Bennett, \$4; Boaz, \$87.13; Bancroft, \$10; Boylan, \$25; Browning, \$30; Chinese, \$60; Cunningham, \$20; Community Schools, 5 cents; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$50; Hoyt Memorial, \$25; Mr. Hildeton, \$25; King, \$25; Marcy, \$25; Mitchell, \$30; Jesse Lee, \$25; Navajos, \$25; New York Immigrant, \$50; Pottawatomies, \$20; E. L. Rust, \$25; Ritter, \$125; A. Smith, \$5; Stickney, \$50; Swedish Work, \$25; Sinuk, \$25; Tucson, \$35; Thayer, \$50; Toledo Deaconess Home, \$665.24; Building and Improvement Fund, \$655.18.
Total Special Fund, \$2,248.35.
 Grand Total Cash, \$6,529.67.
 By vouchers, \$8,287.38.

Central Pennsylvania Conference.

Miss Sarah J. Richardson, Treasurer, 18 S. 13th Street, Harrisburg, Pa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,935.83; life member, \$3; salary, \$50; printing, \$5.

Total General Fund, \$1,993.83.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$20.

Total Silver Offering, \$20.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$49.98; Boaz, \$3; Bradley, \$5; Cunningham, \$7;

Watts DePeyster, \$130; Harwood, \$70; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Jesse Lee,

\$71; Mitchell, \$106; Mothers' Jewels, \$117.60; McKinley, \$46; Geo.

O. Robinson, \$55; Ritter, \$50.14; Stickney, \$110; Thayer, \$50; Tuc-

son, \$1. Total Student Aid, \$971.72.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$27.40; Boaz, \$25.90; Brewster, \$15; Chinese,

\$86.10; Japanese, \$35.85; Hawaii, \$5; Hull Street Medical Mission,

\$15; Mitchell, \$210.84; New York Immigrant, \$10; E. L. Rust, \$10.60;

Rust Hall, \$12.65; A. Smith, \$10; Sinuk, \$26.25; Tucson, \$7.40; Utah,

\$28.40. Total Special Fund, \$526.39.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,511.94.

By vouchers, \$1,038.08.

Central Swedish Conference.

Mrs. John F. Johnson, Treasurer, 508 33d Street, Chicago, Ill.

Total vouchers, \$395.26.

Cincinnati Conference.

Mrs. George O. March, Treasurer, 212 Wright Ave., Lebanon, Ohio.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,310.20; collections, \$5; printing, \$21.72; General

Fund, \$11.86. Total General Fund, \$2,348.78.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$119.30.

Total Silver Offering, \$119.30.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$7.77; Boaz, \$286.95; Browning, \$20; Boylan, \$10;

Chinese, \$34.62; Cunningham, \$5; Watts DePeyster, \$15; L. W. Hayes,

\$36.10; Harwood, \$30; King, \$15; Jesse Lee, \$10; Mitchell, \$15;

Mothers' Jewels, \$51.01; McKinley, \$41.38; Navajos, \$5; Ponce, \$20;

Oriental, \$20; Geo. O. Robinson, \$153.80; Porto Rico, \$2; E. L.

Rust, \$10; Ritter, \$83.25; Stickney, \$5; Sinuk, \$59.89; Tucson, \$8.65.

Total Student Aid, \$945.42.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$107.02; Bennett, \$10; Bancroft, \$3; Browning, \$21;

Building and Improvement Fund, \$241.42; Colored Deaconess Home,

\$5; Glenn, \$1,962.49; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$5; Harwood, \$1.50;

Mitchell, \$605.28; Oriental, \$5; E. L. Rust, \$30; Ritter, \$20; Rust

Hall, \$10; Sinuk, \$10; Thayer, \$15; Tucson, \$15.

Total Special Fund, \$3,066.71.

Grand Total Cash, \$6,480.21.

By vouchers, \$356.72.

Bequest from estate of Sarah M. Y. Whetstone, \$3,687.62.

Colorado Conference.

Mrs. D. K. Lee, Treasurer, 763 Williams St., Denver, Col.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$747.14.

Total General Fund, \$747.14.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$196.17.

Total Silver Offering, \$196.17.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$18.50; Chinese, \$5; Eliza Dee, \$15; L. W. Hayes,

\$10; Harwood, \$25; Japanese, \$64; King, \$15; Jesse Lee, \$30.30;

McKinley, \$15; Ritter, \$40; Stickney, \$15; A. Smith, \$10; Thayer,

\$22.30; Tucson, \$50; Utah, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$346.10.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$46.85; Fisk, \$10; New York Immigrant, \$15; Thayer, \$34.15. Total Special Fund, \$106.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,395.41.

By vouchers, \$10,315.53.

Bequest from estate of Adela E. Clough, Denver, Col., \$33,338.54.

Columbia River Conference.

Mrs. E. F. Howk, Treasurer, 1703 9th Ave., Spokane, Wash.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$161.58; life member, \$30; Contingent Fund, 90 cents; thank-offering, \$42.30; collections, \$52; mite-boxes, \$20.20.

Total General Fund, \$306.98.

STUDENT AID.—McKinley, \$7.75; Stickney, \$2. Total Student Aid, \$9.75.

Grand Total Cash, \$316.73.

Delaware Conference.

Mrs. E. Thompson, Treasurer, 2322 N. Sydenham St., Philadelphia, Pa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$56.14; mite-boxes, \$18.86.

Total General Fund, \$75.

STUDENT AID.—Bancroft, \$5.

Total Student Aid, \$5.

Grand Total Cash, \$80.

Dakota Conference.

Mrs. J. S. Miller, Treasurer, Brookings, S. D.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$15.50; collections, \$28; thank-offerings, \$39.

Total General Fund, \$82.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$82.50.

Des Moines Conference.

Mrs. H. S. Hollingsworth, Treasurer, 702 Maple St., Des Moines, Ia.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,084.91; printing, \$2.50; salary, \$46.06.

Total General Fund, \$2,134.37.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$55; Brewster, \$20; Boylan, \$59.98; Boaz, \$390.50;

Bennett, \$40; Chinese, \$73.57; Eliza Dee, \$50; Frances DePauw, \$23.95;

Harwood, \$68; Hawaii, \$50; Haven, \$20; Japanese, \$67; King, \$50;

McKinley, \$15; Mitchell, \$50.81; Navajos, \$80.05; Ponce, \$9.08; Peck,

\$10; Porto Rico, \$46.40; Ritter, \$100; Geo. O. Robinson, \$30; A.

Smith, \$50; Stickney, \$5; Tucson, \$30.50; Thayer, \$50.

Total Student Aid, \$1,444.84.

SPECIAL FUND.—Alaska, \$93.10; Boaz, \$83.50; Bennett, \$20; Browning,

\$50; Chinese, \$110.65; Greenville, \$10; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$5;

Haven, \$9.70; Harwood, \$14.35; Japanese, \$162.77; Keokuk Hospital,

\$5; King, \$75.45; Mitchell, \$125; Mothers' Jewels, \$105.20; Navajos,

\$3.55; New York Immigrant, \$25; Philadelphia Immigrant, \$10; Porto

Rico, \$32.30; Geo. O. Robinson, \$7.50; E. L. Rust, \$10; Ritter, \$60.75;

Sinuk, \$8.36; Tucson, \$75.75; Thayer, \$55.23; Utah, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$1,168.16.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,747.37.

By vouchers, \$9,595.68.

Detroit Conference.

Mrs. Ida M. Jackson, Treasurer, Milford, Mich.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,115.84; life members, \$11; printing, \$11.80; mite-boxes, \$3.13; salary, \$640; gift, \$72.

Total General Fund, \$2,853.77.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$91; Boaz, \$342.75; Bancroft, \$10; Bennett, \$53; Browning, \$50; Boylan, \$25; Chinese, \$13.25; Cunningham, \$15; Frances DePauw, \$60; Emerson, \$50; Harwood, \$90; L. W. Hayes, \$27; Indians, \$2; Japanese, \$20; Kent, \$187.50; King, \$75; Jesse Lee, \$120; Mitchell, \$102.75; Mothers' Jewels, \$50.61; New Jersey, \$272; Oriental, \$21.75; Geo. O. Robinson, \$10; Ritter, \$210; Sinuk, \$46; A. Smith, \$109.60; Stickney, \$50; Tucson, \$50; Thayer, \$17.

Total Student Aid, \$2,261.21.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$50; Alaska, \$50; Browning, \$25; Boaz, \$65; Bancroft, \$1,650; Building and Improvement Fund, \$474.80; Community Schools, \$10; Frances DePauw, \$10; Glenn, \$10; Greenville Indian Mission, \$14; Boston Immigrant, \$1.05; Hawaii, \$1.70; Japanese, \$10; King, \$50; Kent, \$25; Ritter, \$150; A. Smith, \$75; Sinuk, \$23.86; Mitchell, \$200; Navajos, \$5; Peck, \$10; E. L. Rust, \$10; Porto Rico, \$100; San Francisco Rehabilitation Fund, \$100; Thayer, \$50; Tucson, \$83.

Total Special Fund, \$3,253.41.

Grand Total Cash, \$8,368.39.

By vouchers, \$7,700.16.

East Maine Conference.

Mrs. M. A. Winslow, Treasurer, 23 Cedar St., Belfast, Me.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$134.85; General Fund, \$8.30; life member, \$1.

Total General Fund, \$144.15.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$10.

Grand Total Cash, \$154.15.

By vouchers, \$15.

East Swedish Conference.

GENERAL FUND.—Collections, \$11.

Total General Fund, \$11.

Grand Total Cash, \$11.

East Tennessee Conference.

Mrs. E. E. Gardner, Treasurer, Box 28, Tip Top, Va.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$48; thank-offering, \$4.75.

Total General Fund, \$52.75.

Grand Total Cash, \$52.75.

East Ohio Conference.

Mrs. Alida G. Stebbins, White Hall, W. 107th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,857; printing, \$20; gift, \$100; salary, \$975.

Total General Fund, \$3,952.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$50; Boylan, \$50; Boaz, \$155; Bennett, \$50; Chinese, \$90; Frances DePauw, \$60; Emerson, \$50; L. W. Hayes, \$250; Haven, \$50; Harwood, \$140; Japanese, \$70; Kent, \$50; King, \$50;

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Jesse Lee, \$70; Mitchell, \$150; Mothers' Jewels, \$100; McKinley, \$60; Navajos, \$100; Geo. O. Robinson, \$80; Ritter, \$75; A. Smith, \$150; Stickney, \$50. Total Student Aid, \$1,950.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$100; Bennett, \$50; Browning, \$60; Brewster, \$50; Boaz, \$625; Boylan, \$50; Chinese, \$150; Cunningham, \$50; Frances DePauw, \$50; Eliza Dee, \$25; Glenn, \$25; Greenville, \$25; Hawaii, \$100; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$25; Boston Immigrant, \$25; New York Immigrant, \$25; Japanese, \$100; King, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$100; Mitchell, \$60; Navajos, \$50; Poncas, \$25; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$100; Pottawatomies, \$25; Pawnees, \$25; E. L. Rust, \$10; Stickney, \$50; Sinuk, \$50; Swedish work, \$5; Thayer, \$100; Tucson, \$50; Utah, \$100; Yumas, \$50. Total Special Fund, \$2,385.

Grand Total Cash, \$8,287.

By vouchers, \$5,480.18.

Erie Conference.

Mrs. W. J. Smith, Treasurer, Box 53, North East, Pa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,892.69; mite-boxes, \$142.34; printing, \$10.70; thank-offering, \$553.05; salary, \$359.40. Total General Fund, \$3,958.18.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$5. Total Silver Offering, \$5.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$50; Browning, \$40; Bennett, \$65; Boaz, \$150; Frances DePauw, \$75; Haven, \$13; L. W. Hayes, \$96.38; Harwood, \$72; Japanese, \$95; King, \$50; Mothers' Jewels, \$44.35; Mitchell, \$17; McKinley, \$30; Ritter, \$145; E. L. Rust, \$25; Geo. O. Robinson, \$125; Stickney, \$5; Thayer, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$1,107.73.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$15; Alaska, \$111.25; Barber Estate, \$7.50; Browning, \$147.73; Bancroft, \$5; Boaz, \$175.50; Building and Improvement Fund, \$161.38; Chinese, \$222; Coke Work, \$10; Cunningham, \$5; Cleveland, West Side, \$30; Watts DePeyster, \$15.50; Glenn, \$10; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$5; Hawaii, \$69; Haven, \$5; Japanese, \$10; King, \$50; New York Immigrant, \$91; Boston Immigrant, \$5; Peck, \$10; Pattawatomies, \$15; Ponce, \$5; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$15; Marcy, \$50; Mothers' Jewels, \$51.05; Mitchell, \$137.17; Navajos, \$25; Ritter, \$150; E. L. Rust, \$75.25; A. Smith, \$10; Stickney, \$45; Swedish Work, \$5; G. O. Robinson, \$74; Thayer, \$103.50; Tucson, \$60; Utah, \$70. Total Special Fund, \$2,051.83.

Grand Total Cash, \$7,127.74.

By vouchers, \$401.99.

Florida Conference.

Mrs. J. P. Patterson, Treasurer, 431 W. Ashley St., Jacksonville, Fla.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$34.94.

Total General Fund, \$34.94.

SPECIAL FUND.—Ritter, \$30.

Total Special Fund, \$30.

Grand Total Cash, \$64.94.

Genesee Conference.

Mrs. C. E. Millspaugh, Treasurer, Silver Springs, N. Y.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,388.40; gifts, \$76.66; life members, \$62; mite-boxes, \$52.50; printing, \$1.50; thank-offering, \$85.25; salary, \$10.

Total General Fund, \$2,676.31.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$10.

Total Silver Offering, \$10.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$20; Boaz, \$43; Browning, \$20; Cunningham, \$11; Chinese, \$15; DePeyster, \$15; Frances DePauw, \$30; L. W. Hayes, \$206.46; Haven, \$10; Japanese, \$30; King, \$30; Kent, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$22.40; Mitchell, \$20.02; Mothers' Jewels, \$50.40; McKinley, \$15; A. Smith, \$25; Speedwell, \$75; Stickney, \$40; Thayer, \$15.

Total Student Aid, \$698.28.

SPECIAL FUND.—Brewster, \$5; Bancroft, \$10; Boaz, \$15; Bradley, \$20; Boylan, \$10; Browning, \$4; Bennett, \$5; Building and Improvement, \$156.18; Cunningham, \$5; Chinese, \$9.50; Watts DePeyster, \$18; Eliza Dee, \$35; Fisk, \$5; Hawaii, \$25; Harwood, \$50; Japanese, \$10; New York Immigrant, \$45; Kent, \$15; Mitchell, \$30; Navajos, \$20; Poncas, \$15; Pottawatomies, \$5; Rust Hall, \$30; Ritter, \$100.10; Porto Rico, \$30; Stickney, \$5; Swedish, \$5; Sinuk, \$25; Thayer, \$16; Tucson, \$30; Utah, \$25.

Total Special Fund, \$778.78.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,163.37.

By vouchers, \$10,394. 81.

Gulf Conference.

Mrs. Helen Siling, Treasurer, 1611 Hodge St., Lake Charles, La.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$43.90; mite-boxes, \$13.50; collections, \$16.97.

Total General Fund, \$74.37

Grand Total Cash, \$74.37.

By vouchers, \$10.

Georgia Conference.

Mrs. R. J. Anton, Treasurer, Center and Piedmont Sts., Atlanta, Ga.

GENERAL FUND.—Collection, \$2.

Total General Fund, \$2.

Grand Total Cash, \$2.

Holston Conference.

Mrs. W. W. Hooper, Treasurer, 924 E. 8th St., Chattanooga, Tenn.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$320.11; collection, \$55; thank-offering, \$19.60; mite-boxes, \$10.82; printing, 50 cents; gift, \$5.

Total General Fund, \$411.03.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$9.70.

Total Silver Offering, \$9.70.

STUDENT AID.—Chinese, \$2.

Total Student Aid, \$2.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$6.25; Boaz, \$58.75; Chinese, \$10; Fisk, \$2; Mitchell, \$5; Ritter, \$60.75.

Total Special Fund, \$142.75.

Grand Total Cash, \$565.48.

By vouchers, \$151.16.

Idaho Conference.

Mrs. J. C. Hubble, Treasurer, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$56.71; Contingent, \$1.20; thank-offering, 76 cents; mite-boxes, \$3.55.

Total General Fund, \$62.22.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement, \$2.45; Jesse Lee, \$2.

Total Special Fund, \$4.45.

Grand Total Cash, \$66.67.

Illinois Conference.

Mrs. E. J. Strader, Treasurer, 415 Central Ave., Decatur, Ill.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,982.62; printing, \$20; salary, \$77.

Total General Fund, \$2,079.62.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$30.

Total Silver Offering, \$30.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$18; Boylan, \$110; Boaz, \$100; Chinese, \$48; Watts DePeyster, \$10; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Hawaii, \$3; Mitchell, \$185; New York Immigrant, \$15; Ritter, \$170; San Francisco Training-school, \$50; Utah, \$7.

Total Student Aid, \$816.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$197.21; Chinese, \$37; Frances DePauw, \$5; L. W. Hayes, \$12.50; Japanese, \$25; King, \$10; McKinley, \$15; Pottawatomies, \$30; Geo. O. Robinson, \$5; Porto Rico, \$15; E. L. Rust, \$10; Utah, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$371.71.

Grand Total Cash, \$2,297.33.

By vouchers, \$10,577.03.

Indiana Conference.

Mrs. J. B. Allgire, Treasurer, 59 N. Audubon Road, Indianapolis, Ind.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,070.38; General Fund, \$24.75; mite-boxes, \$207.99; thank-offering, \$83.45; printing, \$22.20; gift, \$500; salary, \$106.50; life member, \$1.

Total General Fund, \$3,016.27.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$194.28.

Total Silver Offering, \$194.28.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$45; Alaska, \$50; Boaz, \$118; Chinese, \$70; Frances DePauw, \$15; Fisk, \$10; Glenn, \$13; Harwood, \$25; L. W. Hayes, \$13.40; Hawaii, \$10; Japanese, \$18.80; King, \$40; Jesse Lee, \$10; Mitchell, \$62; Mothers' Jewels, \$50.16; McKinley, \$25; Navajos, \$16.35; Pottawatomies, \$5; Ritter, \$79; Geo. O. Robinson, \$47.20; A. Smith, \$10; Tucson, \$7.

Total Student Aid, \$739.91.

SPECIAL FUND.—Alaska, \$6; Bennett, \$50; Boylan, \$31.06; Brewster, \$25; Boaz, \$98; Building and Improvement Fund, \$71.50; Chinese, \$202.75; Cunningham, \$10; Community Schools, \$29; Frances DePauw, \$25; Faith Cottage, \$62.65; Fisk, \$72; L. W. Hayes, \$51; Harwood, \$30; Hawaii, \$9; Japanese, \$25.65; King, \$20; Jesse Lee, \$5; Marcy, \$20; Mitchell, \$92.15; McKinley, \$15; Navajos, \$20; New York Immigrant, \$10; Oriental, \$60; San Francisco Rehabilitation Fund, \$25; A. Smith, \$13; Stickney, \$25; Tucson, \$54; Utah, \$15.

Total Special Fund, \$1,172.76.

Grand Total Cash, \$5,123.22.

By vouchers, \$583.18.

Bequest from estate of Mrs. John Vincent, \$300.

Iowa Conference.

Mrs. L. F. Owens, Treasurer, 801 S. Center Ave., Burlington, Iowa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,753; collection, \$11.52; life member, \$11.35; printing, \$1; salary, \$219; gift, \$21.

Total General Fund, \$2,016.87.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$7.80.

Total Silver Offering, \$7.80.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$55.15; Boaz, \$80; Cunningham, \$63.60; Eliza Dee, \$65; Frances DePauw, \$20; Harwood, \$65; New York Immigrant, \$5; King, \$65; Jesse Lee, \$67.50; Mothers' Jewels, \$121.79; McKinley, \$96.20; Marcy, \$62.75; Porto Rico, \$20; Stickney, \$60; Tucson, \$50; Utah, \$30; Ukiah, \$22.10.

Total Student Aid, \$949.09.

SPECIAL FUND.—Browning, \$5; Boaz, \$8.47; Building and Improvement Fund, \$212.65; Chinese, \$110; Frances DePauw, \$25; Fisk, \$15; New York Immigrant, \$20; Japanese, \$55; King, \$52.20; Navajos, \$10; Ritter, \$25; Porto Rico, \$11.37; Utah, \$5; Ukiah, \$7.90.

Total Special Fund, \$562.59.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,536.35.

By vouchers, \$16,510.35.

Kansas Conference.

Mrs. W. D. Best, Treasurer, Seneca, Kan.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,056.41; salary, \$250.

Total General Fund, \$1,306.41.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$45; Cunningham, \$30; Chinese, \$50; Watts DeReyster, \$28.03; Fisk, \$125; Harwood, \$70; Mothers' Jewels, \$44.20; Marcy, \$32; Japanese, \$99.50; Oriental, \$25; Ritter, \$135; Porto Rico, \$150.29; Geo. O. Robinson, \$5; A. Smith, \$100.

Total Student Aid, \$939.02.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$100; Building and Improvement Fund, \$102.66; Chinese, \$12; Emerson, \$5; Fisk, \$25; Watts DePeyster, \$10; Jesse Lee, \$30; Ritter, \$25; Sinuk, \$73.16; A. Smith, \$25; Tucson, \$78.15.

Total Special Fund, \$485.97.

Grand Total Cash, \$2,731.40.

By vouchers, \$741.49.

Kentucky Conference.

Mrs. J. C. Dugan, Treasurer, 214 E. Chestnut St., Louisville, Ky.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$238.63; General Fund, \$40; gifts, \$53.90; thank-offering, \$25.65; mite-boxes, \$69.60; salary, \$60; printing, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, \$488.28.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$40; L. W. Hayes, \$47; Navajos, \$10; A. Smith, \$13.35; Thayer, \$25.

Total Student Aid, \$135.35.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$10; Building and Improvement Fund, \$22.70; Mitchell, \$112.34.

Total Special Fund, \$145.04.

Grand Total Cash, \$768.67.

By vouchers, \$32.70.

Lexington Conference.

Mrs. Annie C. Stanley, Treasurer, 126 Short St., Lexington, Ky.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$227.14; life member, \$2.85; mite-boxes, \$2.40; thank-offering, \$15.51; printing, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, \$248.65.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$8.

Total Silver Offering, \$8.

STUDENT AID.—Thayer, \$15.25;

Total Student Aid, \$15.25.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$14; Colorado Deaconess Home, \$10; Thayer, 22 cents.

Total Special Fund, \$24.22.

Little Rock Conference.

Mrs. G. A. Gray, Treasurer, 1214 Pulaski St., Little Rock, Ark.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$61.65.

Total General Fund, \$61.65.

STUDENT AID.—Porto Rico, \$5.

Total Student Aid, \$5.

SPECIAL FUND.—Alaska, \$5; Watts DePeyster, \$2; E. L. Rust, \$5; Stickney, \$3.50; Swedish, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$25.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$92.15.

Total vouchers, \$219.

Louisiana Conference.

Mrs. S. A. Chinn, Treasurer, 1929 Marengo St., New Orleans, La.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$30; General Fund, \$30.

Total General Fund, \$60.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$10.

Total Silver Offering, \$10.

STUDENT AID.—Ritter, \$5.

Total Student Aid, \$5.

Grand Total Cash, \$75.

By vouchers, \$96.15.

Maine Conference.

Miss Flora V. Lord, 408 Forest Ave., Portland, Me.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$520.73; life member, \$2; printing, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, \$523.23.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$97.40.

Total Silver Offering, \$97.40.

STUDENT AID.—Chinese, \$20; Watts DePeyster, \$10; Frances DePauw, \$10;

Harwood, \$13; Japanese, \$5; Kent, \$5; Mothers' Jewels, \$9.65; Geo.

O. Robinson, \$20; Thayer, \$20. Total Student Aid, \$112.65.

SPECIAL FUND.—W. DePeyster, \$10; Mitchell, \$2; E. L. Rust, \$5; Porto

Rico, \$2; Thayer, \$200. Total Special Fund, \$219.

Grand Total Cash, \$952.28.

Vouchers, \$2,121.25.

Michigan Conference.

Mrs. Delos Fall, Treasurer, 1101 Michigan Ave., Albion, Mich.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,195.28; printing, \$12; salary, \$1,320; General Fund, \$50.

Total General Fund, \$2,577.28.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$25; Boaz, \$61; Bennett, \$50; Chinese, \$45; Com-

munity Schools, \$20; Cunningham, \$20; Frances DePauw, \$50; Watts

DePeyster, \$50; Fisk, \$5; Japanese, \$40; King, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$50;

Hawaii, \$110; Mitchell, \$60; Mothers' Jewels, \$50; Navajos, \$15;

Poncas, \$10; Ritter, \$50; Geo. O. Robinson, \$40; A. Smith, \$50;

Stickney, \$45; San Francisco, \$18. Total Student Aid, \$914.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$10; Brewster, \$20; Boaz, \$50; Browning, \$10;

Boylan, \$25; Building and Improvement Fund, \$135; Bancroft, \$5;

Chinese, \$50; Frances DePauw, \$10; Emerson, \$25; Glenn, \$5; Hull St.

Medical Mission, \$50; Haven, \$25; Harwood, \$25.60; Hawaii, \$100;

New York Immigrant, \$40; Boston Immigrant, \$20; Japanese, \$50;

King, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$25; Marcy, \$50; Mitchell, \$30; Navajos, \$15;

Peck, \$5; Ritter, \$25; E. L. Rust, \$10; Geo. O. Robinson, \$25; Porto

Rico, \$10; A. Smith, \$50; Sinuk, \$50; Stickney, \$25; Speedwell, \$5;

Swedish, \$10; Thayer, \$50; Tucson, \$50; Yumas, \$25.

Total Special Fund, \$1,165.60.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,656.88.

By vouchers, \$7,196.22.

Bequest from estate of Wm. S. Calkins, Lansing, Mich., \$425.

Bequest from estate of Alsie H. Chapman, Petoskey, Mich., \$75.

Minnesota Conference.

Mrs. H. O. Hilgeson, Treasurer, 1796 Igelhart Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$354.87; salary, \$25.25.

Total General Fund, \$380.12.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$260.60.

Total Silver Offering, \$260.60.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$27.20; Boaz, \$43; Chinese, \$20.10; Frances De-Pauw, \$5; L. W. Hayes, \$85.60; Harwood, \$61.79; Haven, \$15; Japanese, \$42.01; Jesse Lee, \$55; Pottawatomies, \$10; Porto Rico, \$15; Ritter, \$45; Geo. O. Robinson, \$88.05; Stickney, \$10; A. Smith, \$4.75; Tucson, \$74.75; Thayer, \$20. Total Student Aid, \$622.25.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$5.40; Jesse Lee, \$27; New York Immigrant, \$20; Boston Immigrant, \$20; E. L. Rust, \$10; Stickney, \$3.50; Miss Fitz, \$8.50; Utah, \$5. Total Special Fund, \$99.40.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,362.37.
By vouchers, \$2,971.56.

Mississippi Conference.

Mrs. C. L. Brown, Treasurer, Bolton, Miss.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$39. Total General Fund, \$39.
STUDENT AID.—Thayer, \$1. Total Student Aid, \$1.
Grand Total Cash, \$40.

Missouri Conference.

Mrs. W. B. Christy, Treasurer, Chillicothe, Mo.

GENERAL FUND.—Collection, \$2. Total General Fund, \$2.
Grand Total Cash, \$2.

Montana Conference.

Mrs. M. E. Church, Treasurer, 816 Hemlock St., Helena, Mont.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$64.10; thank-offering, \$16.88; mite-boxes, \$23.70; gift, \$6. Total General Fund, \$110.68.
SPECIAL FUND.—Watts DePeyster, \$5.10. Total Special Fund, \$5.10.
Grand Total Cash, \$115.78.

Nebraska Conference.

Mrs. J. M. States, Treasurer, 1541 A St., Lincoln, Neb.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,239.15; printing, \$3.75. Total General Fund, \$1,242.90.
SILVER OFFERING.—\$12. Total Silver Offering, \$12.
STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$10; Boylan, \$36.64; Haven, \$10; Harwood, \$20; King, \$10; Jesse Lee, \$25; Mothers' Jewels, \$469; Navajos, \$28.22; Ritter, \$50; Porto Rico, \$10; Geo. O. Robinson, \$30; Sinuk, \$5; A. Smith, \$50; San Francisco, \$5.66; Tucson, \$40; Thayer, \$15. Total Student Aid, \$814.52.
SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$10; Browning, \$5; Chinese, \$172.65; Fisk, \$5.25; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$25; Navajos, \$14.55; E. L. Rust, \$5; Ritter, \$150. Total Special Fund, \$387.45.
Grand Total Cash, \$2,456.87.
Vouchers, \$464.47.

Newark Conference.

Mrs. Emeline C. McNaughton, Treasurer, 38 Westerveld Ave., Plainfield, New Jersey.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,580.60; gift, \$339.46; life member, \$20; mite-boxes, \$3.37; thank-offerings, \$13.20; printing, \$15.75. Total General Fund, \$2,972.38.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$25; Bennett, \$22; Boaz, \$39; Brady, \$100.25; Chinese, \$50; Watts DePeyster, \$109; L. W. Hayes, \$200; Harwood, \$140; Japanese, \$50; King, \$20; Jesse Lee, \$25; Mothers' Jewels, \$25; McKinley, \$45; Mitchell, \$25; Navajos, \$79.60; Ritter, \$30; Porto Rico, \$143.50; Geo. O. Robinson, \$70; Stickney, \$30; Tucson, \$250; Thayer, \$47.76. **Total Student Aid, \$1,526.11.**

SPECIAL FUND.—Browning, \$10; Bancroft, \$50; Boaz, \$30; Building and Improvement Fund, \$1,060.54; Harwood, \$50; Mitchell, \$55.80; New York Immigrant, \$96; Pottawatomies, \$20.10; Ritter, \$98; Geo. O. Robinson, \$48.48; Porto Rico, \$86.43; Rust Hall, \$10; Swedish Work, \$10; Tucson, \$100; Thayer, \$12.24; Utah, \$50. **Total Special Fund, \$1,787.59.**

Grand Total Cash, \$6,286.08.

By vouchers, \$4,155.55.

Bequest from estate of Harriet D. Talmage, \$950.

New England Conference.

Mrs. D. F. Barbor, Treasurer, 47 Newtonville Ave., Newton, Mass.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,062.32; life member, \$20; salary, \$18.50.

Total General Fund, \$2,100.82.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$36.81.

Total Silver Offering, \$36.81.

STUDENT AID.—Browning, \$80; Boaz, \$75; Watts DePeyster, \$60; Frances DePauw, \$10; Harwood, \$70; Haven, \$50; Japanese, \$30; Jesse Lee, \$30.12; Ritter, \$20; Porto Rico, \$15; Thayer, \$150.

Total Student Aid, \$590.12.

SPECIAL FUND.—Brewster, \$10; Browning, \$30; Chinese, \$10; L. W. Hayes, \$50; Hawaii, \$30; Marcy, \$10; Mitchell, \$150; Mothers' Jewels, \$15; A. Smith, \$10; Sinuk, \$20; Thayer, \$10; Utah, \$28.

Total Special Fund, \$373.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,100.75.

By vouchers, \$2,215.88.

Bequest from estate of Mary L. Hinds, Somerville, Mass., \$958.61.

New England Southern Conference.

Mrs. Eleanor J. Cooper, Treasurer, 152 Peace St., Providence, R. I.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,080.08; mite-boxes, \$83.71; printing, \$8; thank-offering, \$16; collections, \$12.50.

Total General Fund, \$1,200.29.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$28.51.

Total Silver Offering, \$28.51.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$50; Boylan, \$50; Browning, \$100; Watts DePeyster, \$35; Emerson, \$30; L. W. Hayes, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$30; Mitchell, \$50; Mothers' Jewels, \$27.23; McKinley, \$25; Navajos, \$10; Ritter, \$50; Geo. O. Robinson, \$40; Sinuk, \$10; Tucson, \$38; Thayer, \$100.15.

Total Student Aid, \$695.38.

SPECIAL FUND.—Browning, \$60; Building and Improvement Fund, \$73.92; Chinese, \$10; Hull Medical Mission, \$100; Harwood, \$25; New York Immigrant, \$7; Boston Immigrant, \$20; Japanese, \$25; Marcy, \$10.37; Mitchell, \$100; Sinuk, \$40; Stickney, \$25; Settlement Work, \$25; Thayer, \$25; Utah, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$556.29.

Grand Total Cash, \$2,480.47.

By vouchers, \$124.04.

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New Hampshire Conference.

Mrs. Alvin Young, Treasurer, Sunapee, N. H.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$772.43; mite-boxes, 50 cents; printing, \$2.50; life member, \$11; thank-offering, \$1. Total General Fund, \$787.43.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$100.92. Total Silver Offering, \$100.92.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$40; Boylan, \$115; Browning, \$70; Boaz, \$25; Chinese, \$5; Highlanders, \$8.30; Japanese, \$7; Jesse Lee, \$15; Mitchell, \$29.40; Porto Rico, \$15.73; Stickney, \$15; A. Smith, \$10; Thayer, \$2.65; Utah, \$20. Total Student Aid, \$358.08.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boylan, \$10; Boaz, \$15; Browning, \$15; Bancroft, \$12.63; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$36.75; Mothers' Jewels, \$15; New York Immigrant, \$25; Portland Deaconess Home, \$20; Thayer, \$40. Total Special Fund, \$189.38.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,435.81.

By voucher, \$16.84.

Bequest from estate of Lydia A. Fulton, Sunapee, N. H., \$200.

New Jersey Conference.

Mrs. S. J. Turner, Treasurer, 407 St. David's Road, Wayne, Pa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,413.52; mite-boxes, \$117.89; printing, \$10.50; salary, \$70.92; life members, \$20; thank-offering, \$1. Total General Fund, \$2,633.83.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$15; Boylan, \$24.50; Boaz, \$53; Chinese, \$15; Watts DePeyster, \$70; Harwood, \$64; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Japanese, \$176.75; Kent, \$40; Jesse Lee, \$105; New Jersey, \$25; Navajos, \$126.64; McKinley, \$15; Mitchell, \$60.25; Mothers' Jewels, \$35.84; Geo. O. Robinson, \$77; Ritter, \$7.50. Total Student Aid, \$1,010.48.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$81; Bancroft, \$36.82; Browning, \$5; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$15; Harwood, \$15.95; Hawaii, \$5; Japanese, \$20; Mitchell, \$199.13; New Jersey, \$10; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$5; Geo. O. Robinson, \$3.30; E. L. Rust, \$5; Sinuk, \$61; A. Smith, \$10; Tucson, \$101.35; Thayer, \$37. Total Special Fund, \$610.35.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,254.66.

By voucher, \$50.15.

New Mexico English Mission.

Mrs. J. T. Roe, Treasurer, 1104 Myrtle Ave., El Paso, Texas.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$171.08; mite-boxes, \$6.56.

Total General Fund, \$177.64.

STUDENT AID.—Harwood, \$15.

Total Student Aid, \$15.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$5.60.

Total Special Fund, \$5.60.

Grand Total Cash, \$198.24.

By vouchers, \$309.72.

Nevada Mission Conference.

Mrs. H. D. Hornaday, Treasurer, Carson City, Nev.

GENERAL FUND.—Collection, \$8; dues, \$12.50.

Total General Fund, \$20.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$20.50.

By vouchers, \$3.10.

New York Conference.

Mrs. W. R. Baird, Treasurer, 63 W. 83d St., New York, N. Y.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,382.17; life member, \$10; General Fund, \$19.

Total General Fund, \$1,411.17.

STUDENT AID.—Boylan, \$15; Bradley, \$12.50; Bennett, \$10; Boaz, \$50; Cunningham, \$10; Chinese, \$15; Community Schools, \$10; Watts DePeyster, \$1,574; Frances DePauw, \$10; Fisk, \$50; Hawaii, \$10; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Japanese, \$15; Kent, \$20; Jesse Lee, \$30; McKinley, \$8; New Jersey, \$22.50; Oriental, \$15; Ponce, \$10; Porto Rico, \$7; Thayer, \$20.

Total Student Aid, \$2,014.

SPECIAL FUND.—Alger Fund, \$40; Bancroft, \$30; Browning, \$20; Boaz, \$32; Building and Improvement Fund, \$25.60; Coke Work, \$50; El Paso, \$5; Harwood, \$50; Hawaii, \$10; Hull Street, \$16; American Highlanders, \$10; Marcy, \$10; Mitchell, \$50; Japanese, \$19.50; King, \$10; Boston Immigrant, \$10; New York Immigrant, \$300; Navajos, \$49.50; E. L. Rust, \$30; Ritter, \$47.50; A. Smith, \$5; Sinuk, \$15.50; Tucson, \$10; Thompson, \$10; Ukiah, \$22.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,302.77.

By vouchers, \$409.10.

New York East Conference.

Mrs. C. A. Green, Treasurer, 115 Quincy St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,130.80; life members, \$46; salary, \$40.

Total General Fund, \$2,216.80.

STUDENT AID.—Bennett, \$75; Boylan, \$10; Boaz, \$100; Chinese, \$110; Cunningham, \$40; Dulce, \$10; Watts DePeyster, \$185; Emerson, \$20; Glenn, \$16.75; Harwood, \$170; Hawaii, \$15; Japanese, \$95; Jesse Lee, \$85; Navajos, \$65; New Jersey, \$60; Mitchell, \$82.50; McKinley, \$15; Mothers' Jewels, \$15; Geo. O. Robinson, \$200; Ritter, \$140; Stickney, \$150; A. Smith, \$25; Tucson, \$5; Thayer, \$10; Vieques, \$45.

Total Student Aid, \$1,744.25.

SPECIAL FUND.—Bancroft, \$40; Boaz, \$150; Building and Improvement Fund, \$356.07; Chinese, \$42.50; W. DePeyster, \$15.40; Eliza Dee, \$10; Greenville, \$10; Hoyt Memorial, \$50; Hawaiian, \$20; American Highlanders, \$20; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$10; Kent, \$10; King, \$10; New York Immigrant, \$147.50; Mitchell, \$65.50; Mothers' Jewels, \$2.10; Navajos, \$35; Pottawatomies, \$10; E. L. Rust, \$10; Settlement Work, \$10; Speedwell, \$10; Sinuk, \$110; Stickney, \$10; Swedish, \$10; Tucson, \$42.50; Thayer, \$25; Yumas, \$10; Utah, \$20.

Total Special Fund, \$1,261.57.

Grand Total Cash, \$5,222.62.

By vouchers, \$5,414.75.

Bequest from estate of Mrs. Elsie Conrad, Bridgeport, Conn., \$500.

North Carolina Conference.

Mrs. R. C. Beardon, Treasurer, Charlotte, N. C.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$71.20; printing, \$1; thank-offering, \$2.

Total General Fund, \$74.20.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$25; Kent, \$25.

Total Student Aid, \$50.

Grand Total Cash, \$124.20.

By vouchers, \$21.

North Dakota Conference.

Mrs. N. A. Wiff, Treasurer, Grand Forks, N. D.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$157.52; mite-boxes, \$7.03; thank-offering, \$53; salary, \$20; printing, \$4.50. Total General Fund, \$242.05.

STUDENT AID.—Bennett, \$20; Boaz, \$50; Harwood, \$70; Japanese, \$102.18; Mitchell, \$52; Navajos, \$9; Ritter, \$60; Stickney, \$5; A. Smith, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$378.18.

SPECIAL FUND.—Alaska, \$15; Boylan, \$10; Browning, \$5; Bancroft, \$5; Building and Improvement Fund, \$81; Cunningham, \$29.55; Mitchell, \$25; Mothers' Jewels, \$1; Jesse Lee, \$10; Stickney, \$2; A. Smith, \$25; E. L. Rust, \$5. Total Special Fund, \$213.55.

Grand Total Cash, \$833.78.

By vouchers, \$8.81.

North Indiana Conference.

Mrs. J. W. Vail, Treasurer, Decatur, Ind.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,878.76; mite-boxes, \$5; thank-offering, \$82.21; printing, \$26.50; salary, \$641.51. Total General Fund, \$3,633.62.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$10; Bradley, \$10; Boylan, \$110.30; Boaz, \$179.50; Chinese, \$75; Cunningham, \$26.25; W. DePeyster, \$15; Frances DePauw, \$20; Emerson, \$53; Fisk, \$25; Harwood, \$115; Haven, \$30; L. W. Hayes, \$245; Japanese, \$80.31; King, \$63; Jesse Lee, \$50; Mitchell, \$50; McKinley, \$28.40; Mothers' Jewels, \$11.25; Ritter, \$129; Porto Rico, \$9.60; Geo. O. Robinson, \$41; San Francisco Training-school, \$25; Thayer, \$120.57. Total Student Aid, \$1,522.18.

SPECIAL FUND.—Bennett, \$30; Bancroft, \$15; Boylan, \$151; Building and Improvement Fund, \$127.84; Boaz, \$326.41; Browning, \$5; Chinese, \$130; Cleveland Deaconess Home, \$3; Emerson, \$42; Greenville, \$12.50; Hawaii, \$40; Harwood, \$15; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$10; Haven, \$50; Japanese, \$40; King, \$35; Marcy, \$27.50; Mitchell, \$55; Navajos, \$10; Pottawatomies, \$29; Settlement Work, \$50; A. Smith, \$20; Sinuk, \$10; Swedish, \$5; Porto Rico, \$32; Ritter, \$24; Geo. O. Robinson, \$17; Ukiah, \$15; Utah, \$12; Yumas, \$12.50.

Total Special Fund, \$1,351.75.

Grand Total Cash, \$6,507.55.

By vouchers, \$1,852.19.

North Nebraska Conference.

Mrs. E. T. George, Treasurer, Neligh, Neb.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$754.05; mite-boxes, \$81.04; thank-offering, \$116.05; printing, \$2.50; salary, \$149. Total General Fund, \$1,102.64.

STUDENT AID.—Browning, \$10; Bennett, \$47.07; Boaz, \$25; Chinese, \$15; Fisk, \$136.95; Harwood, \$12; Mothers' Jewels, \$163.60; Mitchell, \$50. Total Student Aid, \$459.62.

SPECIAL FUND.—Bancroft, \$5; Building and Improvement Fund, \$12.35; Boaz, \$25.10; Chinese, \$39.25; El Paso, \$10; Haven, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$15; Mitchell, \$27; New York Immigrant, \$28; E. L. Rust, \$5; Stickney, \$105; Thayer, \$10; Utah, \$25. Total Special Fund, \$216.70.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,778.96.

By vouchers, \$36.72.

North Ohio Conference.

Mrs. H. W. Cary, Treasurer, Millersburg, Holmes Co., Ohio.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,782.67; thank-offering, \$40.01; printing, \$9.25; life member, \$3.18; mite-boxes, \$37.43; salary, \$28.50.

Total General Fund, \$1,901.04.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$2.50.

Total Silver Offering, \$2.50.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$15; Boylan, \$40; Bennett, \$25; Frances DePauw, \$15; Eliza Dee, \$10; Emerson, \$10; Haven, \$3.10; Harwood, \$7; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Japanese, \$15; King, \$15; Jesse Lee, \$25; Mitchell, \$25; Mothers' Jewels, \$10; New Jersey, \$10; E. L. Rust, \$60; Ritter, \$50; Stickney, \$25; San Francisco Training-school, \$15; Thayer, \$10.

Total Student Aid, \$485.10.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$18.65; Bennett, \$97; Browning, \$20; Boaz, \$35; Chinese, \$50; Cleveland, West Side, \$416.40; Watts DePeyster, \$5; Harwood, \$8; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$25; Hoyt Memorial, \$20; Marcy, \$10; Mitchell, \$45; New York Immigrant, \$25; Navajos, \$10; Ritter, \$120; Porto Rico, \$48; Geo. O. Robinson, \$67.80; E. L. Rust, \$15; Sinuk, \$24; interest Stitt Bequest, \$13.72; San Francisco Training-school, \$10; Tucson, \$46; Vieques, \$10; Yumas, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$1,149.57.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,538.21.

By vouchers, \$7,520.31.

Northern Minnesota Conference.

Mrs. M. M. Safford, Treasurer, 2830 Fremont Ave, Minneapolis, Minn.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$407.18; thank-offering, \$1.50; printing, \$1; salary, \$516.99.

Total General Fund, \$926.67.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$455.20.

Total Silver Offering, \$455.20.

STUDENT AID.—Bennett, \$59.37; Boaz, \$50; Browning, \$20; Chinese, \$75; Frances DePauw, \$20; Fisk, \$65; Haven, \$58.50; Harwood, \$70; Hawaii, \$20; Japanese, \$30; Jesse Lee, \$240; Mothers' Jewels, \$39.94; McKinley, \$15; Geo. O. Robinson, \$80; Ritter, \$42.34; Sinuk, \$16.52; A. Smith, \$33.

Total Student Aid, \$934.67.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$19.85; Bennett, \$10; Browning, \$10; Chinese, \$105; New York Immigrant, \$5; Marcy, \$10; Mitchell, \$45.57; Navajos, \$25; Ritter, \$64.75; Porto Rico, \$16.80; Stickney, \$17.41; Sinuk, \$175.01.

Total Special Fund, \$504.39.

Grand Total Cash, \$2,820.93.

By vouchers, \$1,689.16.

Northern New York Conference.

Mrs. J. C. Rossman, Treasurer, Mohawk, N. Y.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,673.63; printing, \$6.25; salary, \$345.27.

Total General Fund, \$3,025.15.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$1,089.84.

Total Silver Offering, \$1,089.84.

STUDENT AID.—Bennett, \$4.50; Boaz, \$135.34; Chinese, \$16.08; Cunningham, \$24; Watts DePeyster, \$75.52; Haven, \$40; L. W. Hayes, \$354.50; Harwood, \$70; Hawaii, \$65; Japanese, \$10; Jesse Lee, \$50; Mitchell, \$12; Mothers' Jewels, \$25; McKinley, \$13; Ritter, \$184; Porto Rico, \$6; Stickney, \$25; A. Smith, \$35.50; Speedwell, \$15; Thayer, \$50; Tucson, \$100.

Total Student Aid, \$1,310.44.

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SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$50; Boaz, \$125; Community Schools, \$25; Chinese, \$25; Dulce, \$5; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$50; Hawaii, \$25; L. W. Hayes, \$53.50; Boston Immigrant, \$5; New York Immigrant, \$65; Mitchell, \$12; Navajos, \$11; Japanese, \$25; Jesse Lee, \$54; Pottawatomies, \$5; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$2; A. Smith, \$30; Sinuk, \$10; San Francisco Rehabilitation Fund, \$3.95. Total Special Fund, \$581.45.

Grand Total Cash, \$6,006.83.

By vouchers, \$1,194.38.

Northwest Indiana Conference.

Mrs. Myron Campbell, Treasurer, South Bend, Ind.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,627.18; life member, \$2; printing, \$25.30; gift, \$11; salary, \$15. Total General Fund, \$1,680.48.

STUDENT AID.—Bennett, \$25; Boaz, \$85; Chinese, \$26; Frances DePauw, \$25; Glenn, \$3.04; Haven, \$50; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Hawaii, \$25; Harwood, \$70; Japanese, \$105; Jesse Lee, \$70; Mothers' Jewels, \$50; Mitchell, \$35; McKinley, \$30; Geo. O. Robinson, \$80; Stickney, \$50; A. Smith, \$70. Total Student Aid, \$899.04.

SPECIAL FUND.—Bennett, \$50; Boaz, \$156.90; Brewster, \$35.33; Cunningham, \$25; Chinese, \$142; Greenville, \$10; Miss Hayes at Boaz, \$108.74; Italian Work, \$5; King, \$25; Mitchell, \$127.65; Marcy, \$100; New York Immigrant, \$25; Poncas, \$25; Peck, \$25; Ritter, \$100; Sinuk, \$100; A. Smith, \$25; Tucson, \$109.57; Utah, \$50. Total Special Fund, \$1,245.21.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,824.73.

By vouchers, \$1,028.47.

Northwest Iowa Conference.

Mrs. Maria Keck, Treasurer, Morningside, Sioux City, Iowa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,814.82; printing, \$27.70; salary, \$25. Total General Fund, \$1,867.52.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$24. Total Silver Offering, \$24.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$55; Boylan, \$50; Bidwell, \$30; Chinese, \$75; Watts DePeyster, \$20; L. W. Hayes, \$38; King, \$62.25; Jesse Lee, \$40.21; McKinley, \$30; Mitchell, \$50; Ritter, \$100; G. O. Robinson, \$40.05; Stickney, \$50; A. Smith, \$50; Tucson, \$60. Total Student Aid, \$750.51.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$10; Bennett, \$4.60; Building and Improvement Fund, \$266.56; Boaz, \$25; Boylan, \$10; Frances DePauw, \$10; Fisk, \$44.60; Haven, \$5; L. W. Hayes, \$12; Japanese, \$20; Jesse Lee, \$28.25; Mitchell, \$25; Mothers' Jewels, \$23; Ritter, \$12; Rust Hall, \$10; Sinuk, \$10; Tucson, \$25. Total Special Fund, \$541.01.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,183.04.

By vouchers, \$3,293.78.

Northwest Kansas Conference.

Mrs. Isaiah McDowell, Treasurer, 400 South Ninth St., Salina, Kan.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$447.83; mite-boxes, \$6.43. Total General Fund, \$454.26.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

STUDENT AID.—Fisk, \$10; Harwood, \$1; Japanese, \$14; Jesse Lee, \$27; Marcy, \$2.50; Mothers' Jewels, \$1.50; Pottawatomies, \$5.60; Stickney, \$13.71; San Francisco Training-school, \$5; Utah, \$5.

Total Student Aid, \$85.31.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$26.37; Harwood, \$2; Ritter, \$5; Stickney, \$10; A. Smith, \$5.

Total Special Fund, \$48.37.

Grand Total Cash, \$587.94.

By Vouchers, \$418.18.

Northwest Nebraska Conference.

Mrs. E. C. Hill, Treasurer, Alliance, Nebraska.

GENERAL FUND.—Collections, \$4.

Total General Fund, \$4.

Grand Total, \$4.

Ohio Conference.

Mrs. Thos. Evans, Treasurer, 636 Franklin Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,867.97; thank-offering, \$59.79; mite-boxes, \$192.50; printing, \$1.50; salary, \$41.

Total General Fund, \$2,162.76.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$50; Boylan, \$50; Chinese, \$85; Frances DePauw, \$25; Emerson, \$50; Haven, \$20; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Harward, \$60; Japanese, \$60; King, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$60; McKinley, \$30; Mitchell, \$50; Mothers' Jewels, \$25; Ponce, \$30; Ritter, \$50; Geo. O. Robinson, \$40; Stickney, \$25; A. Smith, \$25.

Total Student Aid, \$885.

SPECIAL FUND.—Browning, \$25; Bennett, \$25; Building and Improvement Fund, \$524.88; Brewster, \$20; Coke Work, \$50; Chinese, \$100; Eliza Dee, \$25; Glenn, \$10; Greenville, \$10; Hawaii, \$50; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$25; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Boston Immigrant, \$25; New York Immigrant, \$50; King, \$25; Marcy, \$10; Mitchell, \$50; Mothers' Jewels, \$35; Navajos, \$20; Poncas, \$10; Peck, \$10; Pawnees, \$10; Ritter, \$106.25; Porto Rico, \$7; A. Smith, \$5; Seattle, \$5; Sinuk, \$25; Thayer, \$109; Tucson, \$110; Utah, \$25; Yumas, \$10; Yates Cottage, \$74.75.

Total Special Fund, \$1,686.88.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,734.64.

By vouchers, \$3,073.41.

Oklahoma Conference.

Mrs. C. B. Hill, Treasurer, Alliance, Neb.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$301.79; mite-boxes, \$44.93; thank-offering, \$8.67; gifts, \$5.

Total General Fund, \$360.39.

STUDENT AID.—Chinese, \$30; Boaz, \$51.50; Fisk, \$24.75; Haven, \$35.25; Jesse Lee, \$7; Mitchell, \$5; Ritter, \$50; Tucson, \$10.

Total Student Aid, \$213.50.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$45; Eliza Dee, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$3; McKinley, \$5; Navajo, \$10; Pottawatomies, \$5; Poncas, \$15; Peck, \$5.

Total Special Fund, \$93.

Grand Total Cash, \$666.89.

By vouchers, \$100.89.

Oregon Conference.

Mrs. W. H. Selleck, Treasurer, 126 South Church St., Salem, Ore.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$421.05; thank-offering, \$328.42; mite-boxes, \$103.56; printing, \$1. Total General Fund, \$854.03.

STUDENT AID.—Chinese, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$10.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boylan, \$5; Brewster, \$5; Haven, \$10; Ritter, \$5; San Francisco Training-school, \$11.10; Stickney, \$45.90; Sinuk, \$32.15. Total Special Fund, \$114.15.

Grand Total Cash, \$978.18.

By vouchers, \$599.72.

Philadelphia Conference.

Mrs. K. S. Burnett, Treasurer, 4725 Northwood Ave., Frankford, Philadelphia, Pa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,608.78; printing, \$6; salary, \$129.25. Total General Fund, \$1,608.78.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$50; Chinese, \$15; Watts DePeyster, \$102.50; L. W. Hayes, \$182.75; Harwood, \$97; Haven, \$170.82; Japanese, \$220; Jesse Lee, \$89; Mitchell, \$50; Geo. O. Robinson, \$203; Ritter, \$80; Speedwell, \$10; Stickney, \$50; Thayer, \$55. Total Student Aid, \$1,375.07.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$10; Bancroft, \$23; Chinese, \$214.25; Watts DePeyster, \$5; Fisk, \$5; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$5; Hawaii, \$11; Japanese, \$32.50; Jesse Lee, \$26.21; Mitchell, \$61; Navajos, \$5; Pottater, \$5; Fisk, \$5; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$5; Haven, \$11; Japanese, \$32; Jesse Lee, \$26.21; Mitchell, \$61; Navajos, \$5; Pottawatomes, \$15; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$146; Porto Rico, \$9; E. L. Rust, \$15; Ritter, \$50; Sinuk, \$83; A. Smith, \$28; Stickney, \$7; Tucson, \$7; Utah, \$5. Total Special Fund, \$762.96.

Grand Total Cash, \$3,746.81.

By vouchers, \$18,574.13.

Pittsburg Conference.

Miss A. R. Ingram, Treasurer, 113 Sampson St., Allegheny, Pa.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$3,303.38; printing, \$4.50; salary, \$10; General Fund, \$25. Total General Fund, \$3,342.88.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$10; Bennett, \$110; Boaz, \$10; Browning, \$25; Cunningham, \$10; Chinese, \$5; Community Schools, \$20; Watts DePeyster, \$60; Frances DePauw, \$10; Emerson, \$10; Hawaii, \$25; Haven, \$12.50; Japanese, \$98; Jesse Lee, \$37.50; McKinley, \$30; Mitchell, \$42; Navajos, \$124; Ritter, \$88; Geo. O. Robinson, \$70; Sinuk, \$10; A. Smith, \$10; Stickney, \$52.50; Speedwell, \$10; Thayer, \$25; Utah, \$25; Wing Rest Home, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$939.50.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$5; Alaska, \$10; Boylan, \$25; Bennett, \$25; Building and Improvement Fund, \$90.36; Boaz, \$35; Browning, \$75; Chinese, \$115; Watts DePeyster, \$10; Frances DePauw, \$10; Glenn, \$10; Hawaii, \$5; Haven, \$10; Harwood, \$10; Hoyt Memorial, \$20; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$30; New York Immigrant, \$10; Boston Immigrant, \$10; Japanese, \$138.36; Jesse Lee, \$20; McKinley, \$25; Mitchell, \$20; Navajos, \$10; Pottawatomes, \$25; Porto Rico, \$10;

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Ritter, \$72; Geo. O. Robinson, \$10; E. L. Rust, \$15; Seattle, \$200; Sinuk, \$40; San Francisco Training-school, \$5; San Francisco Rehabilitation Fund, \$65.90; Utah, \$25; Vieques, \$40.

Total Special Fund, \$1,226.62.

Grand Total Cash, \$5,509.

By vouchers, \$11,466.51.

Puget Sound Conference.

Mrs. E. L. Blaine, Treasurer, 416 W. Highland Drive, Seattle, Wash.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$882.19; printing, \$3.50; collection, \$2; thank-offering, \$22.70; mite-boxes, \$88.36.

Total General Fund, \$998.75.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$25.

Total Silver Offering, \$25.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$20; Brewster, \$10; Cunningham, \$5; Chinese, \$39; Fisk, \$15; Hawaii, \$100.69; Haven, \$10; Harwood, \$10; Japanese, \$115; Jesse Lee, \$241.14; Mitchell, \$115; E. L. Rust, \$5; Sinuk, \$36.76; Stickney, \$392.14; San Francisco Training-school, \$48.36; Thayer, \$10; Tucson, \$5; Utah, \$6.40.

Total Student Aid, \$1,184.49.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$17.50; Mothers' Jewels, \$10.

Total Special Fund, \$27.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$2,235.74.

By vouchers, \$221.75.

Rock River Conference.

Mrs. Mary C. Keiser, Treasurer, 6000 Wentworth Ave., Chicago, Ill.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$4,199.62; printing, \$2.50; salary, \$40.

Total General Fund, \$4,242.12.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$50; Alaska, \$180; Boaz, \$135; Bennett, \$40; Brown-ing, \$65; Boylan, \$50; Bancroft, \$10; Chinese, \$85; Cunningham, \$125; Community Schools, \$10; Watts DePeyster, \$60; Frances De-Pauw, \$40; Harwood, \$70; Hawaii, \$65; Japanese, \$87.40; King, \$25; Kent, \$108.86; McKinley, \$12.50; Mitchell, \$42; Navajos, \$95; New Jersey, \$160; Pottawatomies, \$25; Peck, \$10; Geo. O. Robinson, \$12.50; Ritter, \$65; Porto Rico, \$135; E. L. Rust, \$20; Stickney, \$140; Settlement Work, \$65; A. Smith, \$185; Thayer, \$95; Tucson, \$100; Utah, \$65.

Total Student Aid, \$2,433.26.

SPECIAL FUND.—Bennett, \$10; Chinese, \$10; Cunningham, \$10; Hoyt Memorial, \$5; Ritter, \$540; E. L. Rust, \$15; Thayer, \$180; Tucson, \$50.

Total Special Fund, \$820.

Grand Total Cash, \$7,495.38.

By vouchers, \$8,461.03.

Bequest from estate of Mrs. Sarah Dunham, \$500.

Savannah Conference.

Miss Lucy J. Stripling, Treasurer, 43 King St., Lagrange, Ga.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2.35; collections, \$35.83.

Total General Fund, \$38.18.

STUDENT AID.—Speedwell, \$8.

Total Student Aid, \$8.

Grand Total Cash, \$46.18.

St. John's River Conference.

Mrs. C. B. Fox, Treasurer, 127 Duval St., Jacksonville, Fla.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$51.37; thank-offering, \$10.75; collection, \$5.
Total General Fund, \$67.12.
SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$35.15; Building and Improvement Fund, \$5.50.
Total Special Fund, \$40.65.
Grand Total Cash, \$107.77.
By vouchers, \$60.

St. Louis Conference.

Mrs. C. O. Davis, Treasurer, 2608 Benton Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$760.72; thank-offering, \$18.04; mite-boxes, \$65.48; printing, 50 cents; salary, \$1.
Total General Fund, \$845.74.
SILVER OFFERING.—\$158.20. Total Silver Offering, \$158.20.
STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$46.23; Bennett, \$5.48; Chinese, \$5; Cunningham, \$9; Watts DePeyster, \$20; Fisk, \$60; Greenville, \$19; Harwood, \$25; Hawaii, \$60; Japanese, \$5; McKinley, \$15; Mothers' Jewels, \$33.75; Navajos, \$12.50; Pottawatomies, \$20; Geo. O. Robinson, \$40; A. Smith, \$61; Sinuk, \$60; Tucson, \$37. Total Student Aid, \$532.96.
SPECIAL FUND.—Alaska, \$25; Boaz, \$20; Bennett, \$50; Building and Improvement Fund, \$32.20; Burge Hospital, \$107.50; Chinese, \$31; Watts DePeyster, \$1; El Paso, \$10; Fisk, \$47.50; Harwood, \$35; Japanese, \$25; Mitchell, \$60; Navajos, \$25; Pottawatomies, \$19.91; Ritter, \$25; Sinuk, \$25; Utah, \$28; Yumas, \$10. Total Special Fund, \$577.10.
Grand Total Cash, \$2,114.00.
By vouchers, \$4,829.50.

South Carolina Conference.

Mrs. A. J. Comlin, Treasurer, Liberty, S. C.

GENERAL FUND.—Collection, \$25. Total General Fund, \$25.
Grand Total Cash, \$25.

South Florida Mission Conference.

GENERAL FUND.—Collection, \$6. Total General Fund, \$6.
Grand Total Cash, \$6.
By vouchers, \$12.50.

South Kansas Conference.

Mrs. Ida Creamer, Treasurer, Baldwin, Kan.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$523.51; mite-boxes, \$6.94. Total General Fund, \$530.45.
STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$5; Boaz, \$30; Browning, \$5; Chinese, \$24; Fisk, \$92.14; Harwood, \$15; Japanese, \$14; Mitchell, \$12; Mothers' Jewels, \$5; Marcy, \$10; Ritter, \$56; Thayer, \$40; Tucson, \$10; Utah, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$328.14.
SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$68.20; Boaz, \$12.40; Cunningham, \$2.50; Chinese, \$5; Harwood, \$10; Japanese, \$10; King, \$10; Jesse Lee, \$35; Mitchell, \$25; New York Immigrant, \$10; Nav-

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ajos, \$10; Poncas, \$10; Pottawatomies, \$20; Ritter, \$27; Speedwell, \$43; special one-half dues, \$20; Sinuk, \$5; Thayer, \$15; Tucson, \$5.
 Total Special Fund, \$323.10.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,181.69.
 By vouchers, \$106.90.

Southern California Conference.

Miss Edith Hough, Treasurer, 1070 W. Thirty-fifth St., Los Angeles, Cal.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,895.52; life members, \$134; printing, \$7.55; mite-boxes, \$67.66; salary, \$30.
 Total General Fund, \$3,134.73.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$7.50.
 Total Silver Offering, \$7.50.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$69.70; Boylan, \$10; Chinese, \$60; Harwood, \$90; Hawaii, \$136.05; Japanese, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$216.17; Mitchell, \$60; Mothers' Jewels, \$52.67; Marcy, \$5; Pottawatomies, \$10; Ponce, \$45; Geo. O. Robinson, \$20; Porto Rico, \$115.50; Stickney, \$10; Thayer, \$54; Tucson, \$40.
 Total Student Aid, \$999.09.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$10; Building and Improvement Fund, \$33.60; Chinese, \$70.30; New York Immigrant, \$10; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$10; San Francisco Training-school, \$4.00; Tucson, \$100.
 Total Special Fund, \$238.80.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,380.12.
 By vouchers, \$26,446.69.

Southern Illinois Conference.

Mrs. Olive Bower, Treasurer, Albion, Ill.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$889.40; mite-boxes, \$81.18; thank-offering, \$205.36; printing, \$1.50.
 Total General Fund, \$1,177.44.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$112.80.
 Total Silver Offering, \$112.80.

STUDENT AID.—Cunningham, \$32.25; Eliza Dee, \$5; Frances DePauw, \$10; Fisk, \$110.91; Japanese, \$51.25; King, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$25; McKinley, \$30; Mitchell, \$15; Mothers' Jewels, \$57.61; Navajos, \$15; Geo. O. Robinson, \$25; Ritter, \$20; Stickney, \$20.85; A. Smith, \$15; Utah, \$10.
 Total Student Aid, \$447.87.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$59; Boaz, \$87; Bancroft, \$5; Chinese, \$50; Eliza Dee, \$5; Fisk, \$25; Glenn, \$5; King, \$5; Pottawatomies, \$10; New York Immigrant, \$10; Marcy, \$36.50; Mitchell, \$10; Ritter, \$10; A. Smith, \$5; Tucson, \$40.
 Total Special Fund, \$362.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$2,100.61.
 By vouchers, \$260.75.

Southwest Kansas Conference.

Mrs. H. K. Eberly, Treasurer, 1046 No. Lawrence Ave., Wichita, Kan.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$1,386.09; printing, \$7.55; life member, \$20; salary, \$135.40.
 Total General Fund, \$1,549.04.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$7.50; Boaz, \$64.89; Chinese, \$34.50; Watts DePeyer, \$6.05; Emerson, \$15; Fisk, \$309.78; Hawaii, \$35.72; Harwood, \$13.32; King, \$5; Jesse Lee, \$49.75; Marcy, \$12.50; Mitchell, \$5; McKinley, \$7.50; Mothers' Jewels, \$115.51; Navajos, \$50; Ritter, \$196.42; Geo. O. Robinson, \$30; Porto Rico, \$20; Tucson, \$25.
 Total Student Aid, \$1,003.44.

SPECIAL FUND.—Alaska, \$64.25; Chinese, \$34.06; Emerson, \$5; Miss Darnley, \$11; American Highlanders, \$85.20; Hawaii, \$71.89; New York Immigrant, \$70.25; Jesse Lee, \$10; Mitchell, \$26.70; Pottawatomies, \$123; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$20; San Francisco Training-school, \$66. Total Special Fund, \$587.35.
Grand Total Cash, \$3,139.83.
By vouchers, \$1,776.36.

Tennessee Conference.

Mrs. F. A. White, Treasurer, Mason, Tipton Co., Tenn.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$10. Total General Fund, \$10.
Grand Total Cash, \$10.

Texas Conference.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Treasurer, 2316 Dowling St., Houston, Tex.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$109. Total General Fund, \$109.
Grand Total Cash, \$109.
By vouchers, \$105.

Troy Conference.

Miss Helena Ide, Treasurer, 586 Fourth Ave., Lansingburg, N. Y.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,383.70; thank-offering, \$60.13; gift, \$4.11. Total General Fund, \$2,447.94.
SILVER OFFERING.—\$160.25. Total Silver Offering, \$160.25.
STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$10; Boylan, \$10; Chinese, \$20.25; Community Schools, \$20; Watts DePeyster, \$12; Japanese, \$5; Kent, \$10; Hawaii, \$25; L. W. Hayes, \$10; Mitchell, \$147; Mothers' Jewels, \$16.40; Navajos, \$159; Jesse Lee, \$17; Porto Rico, \$55; Ritter, \$35; Stickney, \$50; Thayer, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$611.65.
SPECIAL FUND.—Bancroft, \$20; Boaz, \$6.95; Building and Improvement Fund, \$38.25; Chinese, \$75; Kent, \$25; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$5; Harwood, \$40; L. W. Hayes, \$50; Mitchell, \$24; New York Immigrant, \$60; Navajos, \$355.20; Jesse Lee, \$155; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$103; Stickney, \$20; Sinuk, \$75; Tucson, \$130; Utah, \$5. Total Special Fund, \$1,187.40.
Grand Total Cash, \$4,407.24.
By vouchers, \$3,528.32.

Upper Iowa Conference.

Mrs. R. B. Van Ness, Treasurer, Mt. Vernon, Ia. *

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,187.69; General Fund, \$106.40; printing, \$1. Total General Fund, \$2,295.09.
STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$25; Browning, \$10; Chinese, \$11.63; Frances DePauw, \$61.50; Eliza Dee, \$25; Emerson, \$10.05; Fisk, \$30; Japanese, \$3.80; King, \$5; L. W. Hayes, \$137.76; McKinley, \$15; Peck, \$15; A. Smith, \$66.06; San Francisco Training-school, \$67.76; Settlement Work, \$25; Thayer, \$21.30; Yumas, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$539.86.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boylan, \$25; Building and Improvement Fund, \$340.76; Boaz, \$31.01; Bennett, \$35.84; Bradley, \$13.50; Brewster, \$15.50; Bancroft, \$10.30; Chinese, \$16; Coke Work, \$25; Eliza Dee, \$1.70; Watts DePeyster, \$12.95; Emerson, \$17.38; Glenn, \$20.64; Greenville, \$10; Haven, \$35; Hawaii, \$25.50; Hull Street Medical Mission, \$25.30; New York Immigrant, \$37.25; Japanese, \$59.31; King, \$45.60; Jesse Lee, \$22.55; Mothers' Jewels, \$82.97; Mitchell, \$33.56; Navajos, \$20; Poncas, \$10; Peck, \$10; Pottawatomies, \$10; Permanent Deaconess Fund, \$61; E. L. Rust, \$34.96; Stickney, \$51.75; Sinuk, \$35.25; San Francisco Training-school, \$25; Tucson, \$50; Yumas, \$16.25.

Total Special Fund, \$1,266.83.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,101.78.

By vouchers, \$1,280.39.

Utah Mission Conference.

Mrs. J. R. Bowdle, Treasurer, 362 So. 3d East St., Salt Lake City, Utah.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$61.90; collection, \$7.11; thank-offering, \$7.30; printing, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, \$76.81.

STUDENT AID.—Chinese, \$15; Mothers' Jewels, \$50.40.

Total Student Aid, \$65.40.

SPECIAL FUND.—Chinese, \$12.50.

Total Special Fund, \$12.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$154.71.

By vouchers, \$527.03.

Upper Mississippi Conference.

Mrs. N. H. Williams, Treasurer, Holly Springs, Miss.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$10.50.

Total General Fund, \$10.50.

SPECIAL FUND.—E. L. Rust, \$13.25.

Total Special Fund, \$13.25.

Grand Total Cash, \$23.75.

By vouchers, \$4.00.

Vermont Conference.

Mrs. W. B. Richardson, Treasurer, 4 Wilder St., Montpelier, Vt.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$700; printing, \$1.50; thank-offering, \$18.98.

Total General Fund, \$720.48.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$50; Bennett, \$10; Kent, \$50; Jesse Lee, \$8; Mothers' Jewels, \$5; New Jersey, \$50; Ritter, \$50; Thayer, \$75; Stickney, \$50.

Total Student Aid, \$348.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$135.50; Faith Cottage, \$25; Fresh Air Fund, \$4; Mitchell, \$25; Thayer, \$12.20.

Total Special Fund, \$201.60.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,270.08.

By vouchers, \$245.26.

Washington Conference.

Mrs. Fannie Clair, Treasurer, 914 11th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$418.50; printing, \$1.

Total General Fund, \$419.50.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$64.60.

Total Silver Offering, \$64.60.

STUDENT AID.—Kent, \$40; King, \$25; Thayer, \$50.

Total Student Aid, \$115.

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SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$1; Bancroft, \$1; E. L. Rust, \$10; Adeline Smith, \$5; Thayer, \$60.

Total Special Fund, \$77.

Grand Total Cash, \$676.10.

By vouchers, \$42.88.

West Nebraska Conference.

Mrs. E. Smith, Treasurer, Kearney, Neb.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$186.05; thank-offering, \$1.80.

Total General Fund, \$187.85.

SPECIAL FUND.—Mothers' Jewels, \$2.65.

Total Special Fund, \$2.65.

Grand Total Cash, \$190.50.

By vouchers, \$43.69.

West Texas Conference.

Mrs. E. Spriggs, Treasurer, 731 Dawson St., San Antonio, Texas.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$99.98; salary, \$50. Total General Fund, \$149.98.

STUDENT AID.—Eliza Dee, \$50. Total Student Aid, \$50.

SPECIAL FUND.—Eliza Dee, \$65.82; E. L. Rust, \$5.

Total Special Fund, \$70.82.

Grand Total Cash, \$270.80.

By voucher, \$1.

West Virginia Conference.

Mrs. H. F. Jones, Treasurer, 48 Front St., Wheeling, W. Va.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$518.88; collection, \$53; mite-boxes, \$4.87; gift, \$15; thank-offering, \$84.57; life member, \$10.

Total General Fund, \$686.32.

STUDENT AID.—Alaska, \$2.50; Bennett, \$20; Boaz, \$52; Chinese, \$5; Watts De Peyster, \$16; Frances DePauw, \$10; L. W. Hayes, \$20; Haven, \$25; Japanese, \$15; Jesse Lee, \$25; McKinley, \$35; Mitchell, \$5; Ritter, \$55; E. L. Rust, \$15; G. O. Robinson, \$10; Stickney, \$20; Thayer, \$22.85.

Total Student Aid, \$353.35.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$15; Benwood, \$5; Porto Rico, \$5; Ritter, \$5; Sinuk, \$15; Thayer, \$10; Tucson, \$15; Thompson Rest, \$1.50.

Total Special Fund, \$71.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,111.17.

By vouchers, \$1,523.98.

West Wisconsin Conference.

Mrs. D. T. Tear, Treasurer, Augusta, Wis.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$569.79; gift, 75 cents; mite-boxes, \$3.33; thank-offering, \$3.35; life member, \$9; printing, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, \$586.72.

STUDENT FUND.—Boaz, \$15.75; Chinese, \$33; Frances DePauw, \$5; Haven, \$7.18; Japanese, \$7; Jesse Lee, \$105; McKinley, \$65; Geo. O. Robinson, \$40; San Francisco Training-school, \$10; Thayer, \$45; Tucson, \$20.

Total Student Aid, \$352.93.

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SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$9.20; Cunningham, \$2; Frances DePauw, \$10; Fisk, 75 cents; Mitchell, \$25; E. L. Rust, \$2; Areline Smith, \$10. Total Special Fund, \$58.95.

Grand Total Cash, \$998.60.

By vouchers, \$333.89.

Wilmington Conference.

Mrs. Emily Huffington, Treasurer, 8th & Tatnall St., Wilmington, Del.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$792.60; mite-boxes, \$19.82; printing, \$1.25; salary, \$50. Total General Fund, \$863.67.

STUDENT AID.—Watts De Peyster, \$70; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Mothers' Jewels, \$30; Ritter, \$100; Geo. O. Robinson, \$30; Stickney, \$40; Thayer, \$10. Total Student Aid, \$380.

SPECIAL FUND.—Allen, \$20; Bancroft, \$37.50; Browning, \$5; Chinese, \$10; Community Schools, \$25; W. De Peyster, \$15; Frances DePauw, \$5; Eliza Dee, \$10; Philadelphia Immigrant, \$25; Japanese, \$35; Jesse Lee, \$5; Marcy, \$10; Mitchell, \$5; Mothers' Jewels, \$5; Navajos, \$25; Pottawatomies, \$5; Peck, \$5; E. L. Rust, \$5; Stickney, \$3.50; Tucson, \$25; Utah, \$20.50. Total Special Fund, \$301.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,545.17.

By vouchers, \$982.61.

Wisconsin Conference.

Mrs. G. F. Reynolds, Treasurer, Waupun, Wis.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$631.23; mite-boxes, \$44.54; thank-offering, \$45.54; printing, 50 cents; salary, \$15. Total General Fund, \$736.81.

STUDENT AID.—Boaz, \$33.86; Mitchell, \$5; Navajos, \$10; Jesse Lee, \$15; Stickney, \$37.93; Thayer, \$58. Total Student Aid, \$159.79.

SPECIAL FUND.—Building and Improvement Fund, \$39.35; Boaz, \$31.14; Boylan, \$5; Chinese, \$10; Watts De Peyster, \$20; Japanese, \$10.10; Marcy, \$25; Navajos, \$10; Jesse Lee, \$5; Peck, \$40; Stickney, \$2.15; Adeline Smith, \$25; Thayer, \$7. Total Special Fund, \$229.74.

Grand Total Cash, \$1,126.34.

By vouchers, \$147.92.

Wyoming Conference.

Mrs. A. W. Clinton, Treasurer, 42 Front St., Binghamton, N. Y.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$2,166.59; mite-boxes, \$38.57; printing, \$9. Total General Fund, \$2,214.16.

SILVER OFFERING.—\$648.48. Total Silver Offering, \$648.48.

STUDENT AID.—Allen, \$35; Building and Improvement Fund, \$2.80; Boaz, \$60; Boylan, \$50; Browning, \$50; Bennett, \$185; Chinese, \$113; W. De Peyster, \$101.86; Haven, \$40; Hawaii, \$25; Harwood, \$64; L. W. Hayes, \$100; Mothers' Jewels, \$74.76; Mitchell, \$10; Japanese, \$62; Jesse Lee, \$136.15; Geo. O. Robinson, \$48; Ritter, \$50; Stickney, \$60; Adeline Smith, \$15.70; Tucson, \$45; Thayer, \$68. Total Student Aid, \$1,396.27.

SPECIAL FUND.—Bancroft, \$10; Browning, \$5; Bennett, \$25; Chinese, \$162.50; Hull St. Medical Mission, \$10; Hawaii, \$35; Mitchell, \$10;

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McKinley, \$15; New York Immigrant, \$25; Boston Immigrant, \$25;
E. L. Rust, \$5; A. Smith, \$5; Tucson, \$30; Utah, \$50.
Total Special Fund, \$412.50.

Grand Total Cash, \$4,671.41.
By vouchers, \$685.41.

Wyoming Mission Conference.

Mrs. G. W. McCreery, Treasurer, Rawlins, Wyoming.

GENERAL FUND.—Dues, \$4.25.

Total General Fund, \$4.25.

Grand Total Cash, \$4.25.

Other Sources.

GENERAL FUND.—*Conference Collections*: Cincinnati, \$10; St. Louis German, \$30; Chicago German, \$14; Norway Danish, \$6; Blue Ridge, \$42; Columbia River, \$1; Rock River, \$5; Lexington, \$1; Northern Montana, \$2; Black Hills, \$3; Tennessee, \$18; South German, \$2; Savannah, \$14; Western Swedish, \$1; Northern Minnesota, \$3; Norway and Danish, \$11; Alaska, \$4; Austin, \$9; Central Alabama, \$24; Denmark, \$1.35; Alaska Mission, \$7.20; Miscellaneous, \$123.73; Total Conference Collections, \$332.28.

MISCELLANEOUS.—*Office Earnings*: Cincinnati, \$89.01; Dividend on Investments, \$1,504.52; Royalty "Under Our Flag," \$9.07; Miscellaneous, \$540.87; Sale of Bonds, \$6,000.

Total General Fund, \$8,475.75.

SPECIAL FUND.—Boaz, \$5; Indian Work, \$40; Mitchell, \$36; Sinuk, \$8; A. Smith, \$1; Peck, \$86.71; Miscellaneous, \$6,500.

Total Special Fund, \$6,676.71.

Grand Total Cash, \$9,152.46.
By vouchers, \$360.75.

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SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.—Year 1908-1909.

CONFERENCES.	GENERAL FUND.		SILVER OFFERING.		STUDENT AID.		SPECIAL FUND.		TOTAL.		GRAND TOTAL.
	Cash.	Vouchers.	OFFERING.		Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	
Arizona Mission	\$158 90						\$13 70	\$449 70	\$172 60	\$518 70	\$691 30
Alabama	44 00								44 00		44 00
Arkansas	131 56								131 56		131 56
Atlanta	92 96						61 37	57 50	150 83	57 50	214 33
Austin	13 15								13 15		13 15
Baltimore	2,344 98				\$986 36	54 67	469 20	8,759 64	3,813 24	8,759 64	12,627 55
California	665 97	\$274 89			172 00	252 46	60 35	18,611 50	898 32	19,138 85	20,037 17
Central Alabama	12 00								12 00		12 00
Central Illinois	1,577 72	172 50			912 45	10 00	567 00	124 50	3,057 17	307 00	3,364 17
Central Missouri	112 10				18 35		5 00		135 45		135 45
Central New York	3,345 11	18 33			1,477 68	60 00	677 22	185 54	5,050 02	263 87	5,913 89
Central Ohio	3,503 22	8 75			778 10	12 00	2,248 35	8,266 63	6,259 67	8,266 63	14,817 95
Central Pennsylvania	1,993 83	10 00			20 00		526 39	975 08	3,511 94	1,038 08	4,550 02
Central Swedish								395 26		395 26	395 26
Cincinnati	2,348 78				945 42		3,066 71	356 72	6,480 21	356 72	6,836 93
Colorado	747 14	321 65			346 10		106 00	9,993 88	1,395 41	10,315 53	11,710 94
Columbia River	306 98				9 75				306 73		310 73
Delaware	75 00				5 00				80 00		80 00
Dakota	82 50								82 50		82 50
Des Moines	2,134 37	554 55			1,444 84		1,168 16	9,041 13	4,747 37	9,595 68	14,343 95
Detroit	2,853 77	264 15			2,261 21	103 00	3,253 41	7,333 01	8,368 39	7,700 16	16,068 55
East Maine	144 15	15 00					10 00		154 15	15 00	169 15
East Swedish	11 00								11 00		11 00
East Tennessee	52 75								52 75		52 75
East Ohio	3,952 00				1,950 00		2,385 00	5,480 18	8,287 00	5,480 18	13,767 18
Erie	3,958 18	123 23			1,107 73	25 00	2,051 83	253 76	7,122 74	401 99	7,524 73
Florida	34 94						30 00		64 94		64 94
Genesee	2,676 31	5 00			668 28		778 78	10,389 81	4,163 37	10,394 81	14,558 18
Gulf	74 37							10 00	74 37	10 00	84 37
Georgia	2 00								2 00		2 00
Holston	411 03	39 66			2 00	28 00	142 75	83 50	565 48	151 16	716 64
Idaho	62 22						4 45		66 67		66 67
Illinois	2,079 62	97 28			816 00		371 71	10,479 75	3,297 33	10,577 03	13,874 36
Indiana	3,016 27				194 28	94 00	1,172 76	486 18	5,123 22	583 18	5,706 40
Iowa	2,016 87	23 31			949 09		562 59	16,487 04	3,536 35	16,510 35	20,046 70
Kansas	1,306 41	343 84			939 02	227 71	485 97	169 94	2,731 40	741 49	3,472 89
Kentucky	488 28				135 35		145 04		708 67	32 70	801 37
Lexington	248 65				15 25		24 22		296 12		296 12
Little Rock	61 65	36 00			5 00		25 50	183 00	92 15	219 00	311 15

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CONFERENCES.	GENERAL FUND.		SILVER OFFERING.	STUDENT AID.		SPECIAL FUND.		TOTAL.		GRAND TOTAL.
	Cash.	Vouchers.		Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	
Louisiana.....	\$60 00	\$46 15	\$10 00	\$5 00	.....	.....	\$50 00	\$75 00	\$96 15	\$171 15
Maine.....	523 23	111 35	97 40	112 65	5 00	\$219 00	2,004 90	956 28	2,121 25	3,973 53
Michigan.....	2,577 28	22 84	.....	914 00	.....	1,165 60	7,173 38	4,056 88	7,196 22	11,853 10
Minnesota.....	386 12	227 07	260 60	622 25	.....	99 40	2,744 49	1,362 37	2,971 56	4,333 93
Mississippi.....	39 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	40 00	.....	40 00
Missouri.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Montana.....	110 68	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	115 78	.....	115 78
Nebraska.....	1,242 90	98 87	12 00	814 52	.....	5 10	365 60	2,456 87	464 47	2,921 34
Newark.....	2,972 38	.....	.....	1,526 11	.....	1,787 99	4,155 55	6,286 06	4,155 55	10,441 61
New England.....	2,100 82	130 88	36 81	590 12	10 00	373 00	2,075 00	3,100 75	2,215 88	5,316 63
New England Southern.	1,200 29	4 00	28 51	695 38	.....	556 29	120 04	2,480 47	124 04	2,604 51
New Hampshire.....	787 43	1 84	100 92	358 08	.....	189 38	15 00	1,435 81	16 84	1,452 65
New Jersey.....	2,633 83	2 50	.....	1,010 48	.....	610 35	47 65	4,254 66	50 15	4,304 81
New Mexico English.....	177 64	36 51	.....	15 00	32 75	5 60	240 46	108 24	309 72	507 96
Nevada Mission.....	20 50	3 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 50	3 10	33 60
New York.....	1,411 17	.....	.....	2,014 00	.....	877 00	409 10	4,302 77	409 10	4,711 87
New York East.....	2,216 80	.....	.....	1,744 25	65 00	1,261 57	5,349 75	5,222 62	5,414 75	10,637 37
North Carolina.....	74 20	21 00	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	124 20	21 00	145 20
North Dakota.....	242 05	.....	.....	378 18	.....	213 55	8 81	833 78	8 81	842 59
North Indiana.....	3,633 62	1,488 35	.....	1,522 18	.....	1,351 75	363 84	6,507 55	1,852 19	8,359 74
North Nebraska.....	1,102 64	15 00	.....	459 62	.....	216 70	21 72	1,778 96	36 72	1,815 68
North Ohio.....	1,901 04	28 16	2 50	485 10	.....	1,149 57	7,302 15	3,538 21	7,520 31	11,058 52
Northern Minnesota.....	926 67	186 00	455 20	934 67	.....	504 39	1,593 16	2,820 93	1,689 16	4,510 09
Northern New York.....	3,025 15	46 41	1,089 84	1,310 44	.....	581 40	1,147 97	6,006 83	1,194 36	7,201 21
Northwest Indiana.....	1,680 48	.....	.....	899 04	80 00	1,245 21	948 47	3,824 73	1,028 47	4,853 20
Northwest Iowa.....	1,867 52	19 54	24 00	750 51	60 00	541 01	3,194 04	3,183 04	3,273 58	6,456 62
Northwest Kansas.....	454 26	7 19	.....	85 31	149 75	48 37	261 24	597 94	418 18	1,066 12
Northwest Nebraska.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	4 00
Ohio.....	2,162 76	.....	.....	885 00	.....	1,686 88	3,073 41	4,734 64	3,073 41	7,808 05
Oklahoma.....	360 39	100 89	.....	213 50	.....	93 00	.....	668 89	100 89	769 78
Oregon.....	854 03	59 98	.....	1,375 07	55 00	114 15	539 74	979 18	599 72	1,577 90
Philadelphia.....	1,608 78	.....	.....	1,375 07	55 00	762 96	18,519 13	3,746 81	18,574 13	32,320 94
Pittsburg*.....	3,342 88	.....	.....	939 50	.....	1,226 62	11,466 51	5,505 00	11,466 51	16,975 51
Puget Sound.....	998 75	5 39	25 00	1,184 49	.....	27 50	216 36	2,235 74	221 75	2,457 49
Rock River.....	4,242 18	904 22	.....	2,433 26	1733 95	820 00	5,822 86	7,498 38	8,461 03	15,956 41
Savannah.....	38 18	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	40 18	.....	40 18
St. John's River.....	67 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 65	60 00	107 77	60 00	167 77
St. Louis.....	845 74	12 50	158 20	532 96	.....	577 10	4,817 00	2,114 00	4,829 50	6,943 50
South Carolina.....	25 00	25 00	25 00

*\$3,844.19 in vouchers received too late to be included.

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CONFERENCES.	GENERAL FUND.		SILVER OFFERING.		STUDENT AID.		SPECIAL FUND.		TOTAL.		GRAND TOTAL.
	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	
So. Florida Mission.....	\$6 00	\$12 50			\$328 14	\$63 90	\$323 10		\$6 00	\$12 50	\$18 50
South Kansas.....	530 45	18 00			999 09	3,247 59	238 80		1,181 69	106 90	1,288 59
Southern California.....	3,134 73	4 60	\$7 50		447 87	20 00	23,104 50		4,380 12	26,446 69	30,826 81
Southern Illinois.....	1,177 44		112 80		1,003 44	14 00	362 80		2,100 61	260 75	2,361 36
Southwest Kansas.....	1,549 04	187 61					587 35		3,139 83	1,776 36	4,916 19
Tennessee.....	10 00								10 00		10 00
Texas.....	109 00								109 00		109 00
Troy.....	2,447 94	7 15	160 25		611 65	442 10	1,187 40		4,077 24	3,528 32	7,605 56
Upper Iowa.....	2,295 09	201 04			539 86	15 00	1,266 83		4,101 78	1,280 39	5,382 17
Utah Mission.....	76 81				65 40		12 80		154 71	527 03	681 74
Upper Mississippi.....	10 50	4 00					13 25		23 75	4 00	27 75
Vermont.....	720 48	20 00			348 00	8 00	201 60		1,270 08	245 26	1,515 34
Washington.....	419 50	20 00	64 60		115 00		77 00		676 10	42 88	718 98
West Nebraska.....	187 85						2 65		190 50	43 69	234 19
West Texas.....	149 98						70 82		270 80	1 00	271 80
West Virginia.....	686 32	5 06			50 00		71 50		1,111 17	1,523 08	2,635 15
West Wisconsin.....	586 72	295 89			353 35		58 95		998 60	333 89	1,332 49
Wilmington.....	863 67				352 93		301 90		1,545 17	982 61	2,527 78
Wisconsin.....	736 81	60 22			380 00		229 74		1,126 34	147 92	1,274 26
*Wyoming.....	2,214 16	8 60	648 48		1,597 79		412 50		4,671 41	631 41	5,302 82
Wyoming Mission.....	4 25				1,396 27				4 25		4 25
Other Sources.....	2,475 75						6,676 71		9,152 46	360 75	9,513 21
Totals.....	\$111,446 68	\$6,961 25	\$4,060 07		\$49,717 07	6,990 88	\$51,246 90		\$216,470 72	240,245 78	\$456,716 50
Monthly Publications.....	3,800 00								3,800 00		3,800 00
Annuities.....	5,742 90								5,742 90		5,742 90
Bequests.....	8,372 48						84 50		16,822 48		16,822 48
Bequest Invested.....							24,888 54		24,888 54		24,888 54
Prom Sale of Bonds.....	6,000 00								6,000 00		6,000 00
Endowments.....							2,500 00		2,500 00		2,500 00
Bills payable.....	16,050 00						4,000 00		20,050 00		20,050 00
Cash balance Aug. 1, 1908.....							379 58		379 58		379 58
Total receipts.....	\$151,412 06	\$6,961 25	\$4,060 07		\$49,717 07	6,990 88	91,465 02		\$296,654 22	240,245 78	\$536,900 00

Grand Total—Cash and Vouchers.....

\$536,900 00

Cash borrowed during the year.....

20,050 00

* \$54 in vouchers omitted.

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	SALARY.		TRAVEL.		INCIDENTALS.		STUDENT AID.		SPECIAL.		TOTAL.	
	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.
Haven Home.....	\$2,000 00		\$208 50				\$752 73		\$998 32		\$3,959 55	\$65 00
Speedwell.....	480 00		64 90				128 00				672 90	
Thayer Home.....	2,154 75		160 00				1,480 18		9,068 79	80 38	12,593 72	80 38
Boylan Home.....	2,880 00		669 95				611 85		7,321 29	24 95	11,483 09	24 95
Boylan Settlement Work.....	510 00		137 90				112 50		548 78		1,309 18	
Brewster H. Spital.....	700 00		58 80				67 80				826 60	
Emerson Home.....	960 00		213 53				298 05		487 91	15 00	1,959 49	15 00
Allen Home.....	1,840 00		233 55				707 41		1,202 40		4,853 36	
Browning Home.....	2,000 00		425 04		\$600 00		665 00	\$2 50	1,755 75		4,845 79	2 50
Kent Home.....	600 00		92 35		200 00		462 27	5 00	156 00		1,354 62	161 00
New Jersey Home.....	560 00		28 20		175 00		493 00		39 75		1,256 20	39 75
Ritter Home.....	625 00		70 15		170 00		1,200 00	60 00	3,136 22	12 50	5,201 37	72 50
Bennett Home.....	675 00						739 33	82 00	447 59	54 65	1,861 92	136 65
Bennett Academy.....	1,530 00		327 53								1,857 53	
Dickson Hall.....	315 00										315 00	
E. L. Rust Home.....	800 00		85 00		50 00		223 00	40 00	348 85	94 04	1,506 85	134 04
Adaline Smith Home.....	640 00				400 00	\$36 00	1,097 13	247 00	115 00	310 90	2,252 13	593 90
Italian Work New Orleans.....	360 00									10 00	360 00	10 00
Peck School.....	640 00		218 35		280 00				86 70	50 00	1,225 05	50 00
King Home.....	1,280 00		196 97				530 00	105 00	256 50		2,263 47	105 00
Bliza Dee Home.....	580 00		116 15				206 75	51 00	185 01		1,087 91	51 00
El Paso, Texas.....										51 60		51 60
Utah.....			476 23		20 50	45 00					496 73	45 00
Elsinore.....	815 00		68 27		89 75						883 27	
Moroni.....	600 00										689 75	
Logan.....	288 60										288 60	
Provo.....	300 00				39 25						339 25	
Mt. Pleasant.....	375 00				7 65						382 65	
Spring City.....	690 00				169 02						859 02	
Ephraim.....	141 64				69 48						211 12	
Davis Des. Home Salt Lake City.....	480 00		67 70		744 00	6 70					1,291 70	6 70
Ogden.....	265 08										265 08	
Harwood Home.....	2,085 00		192 65			234 55	1,200 00		324 35	83 50	3,802 00	318 05
Tucson Home.....	1,300 00				360 00	128 25	864 25		1,482 34	767 35	4,006 59	895 60
McKinley School.....	1,100 00						825 00				1,925 00	
Vieques, Porto Rico.....							100 00	36 00	100 00		100 00	36 00
Ponce, Porto Rico.....	330 00						115 00	20 00			445 00	20 00
Geo. O. Robinson Orphanage.....	1,945 00		171 00		1,375 00		1,599 99		494 60	166 34	5,585 59	166 34
Hawaii.....					1,200 00		771 19	76 80	60 00		1,971 19	136 80

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	SALARY.		TRAVEL.		INCIDENTALS.		STUDENT AID.		SPECIAL.		TOTAL.	
	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.		Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.
Japanese, San Francisco.....					\$1,800 00		\$1,518 41	\$67 60	\$1,027 14	3,320 55	\$4,345 55	3,388 15
Japanese, So. California.....					300 00						300 00	
Chinese, San Francisco.....					2,400 00		1,411 37	2,043 53	1,301 28	1,675 96	5,112 65	3,719 49
Chinese, So. California.....					300 00				50 00		350 00	
San Francisco Rehabilitation									198 10	297 27	198 10	297 27
Frances DePaul.....	\$1,500 00						580 84	2,439 72	150 00	2,730 93	2,230 84	5,170 65
Rebecca McCleskey Home.....	1,203 74	\$156 60					2,285 64	140 00	2,279 46	829 33	5,925 44	959 33
Mitchell Home.....	760 60						1,206 81		4,062 38	261 50	6,029 19	261 50
Community Schools.....	221 00										221 00	
American Highlanders.....	200 00										200 00	
Navajo Mission.....	1,540 00		315 37		275 00		861 58	147 50	1,201 80	1,042 78	4,103 75	1,100 28
Stuckney Home.....	1,440 00				102 00		1,064 05	11 50	141 65	60 00	2,808 30	71 50
Greenville Mission.....	200 00				218 40	\$30 00					418 40	30 00
Ukiah.....	100 00										100 00	
Pawnee.....	40 00										40 00	
Ponce.....	480 00				50 00						530 00	
Yuma.....	500 00					2,047 36					500 00	2,047 36
Pottawatomies.....	830 00				50 00	62 30			175 00		10,35 00	62 30
Jesse Lee Home.....	2,080 00		118 00		250 00		2,800 00	91 17	732 25	15 00	5,986 25	106 17
Sinuk Mission.....	1,349 99		300 00				141 52	236 15	1,259 07	785 00	3,050 58	1,021 15
New York Immigrant.....					1,920 00	375 95			2,500 00		4,420 00	375 95
Boston Immigrant.....					1,300 00	575 00					1,300 00	575 00
Hull Street Med. Mission.....					1,070 75	1,500 00					1,070 75	1,500 00
Seattle Immigrant.....					200 00	11 36					200 00	11 36
Philadelphia Immigrant.....					180 00	133 00					180 00	133 00
E. A. Bradley Orphanage.....					936 26	5,567 10		2,169 58	106 94		936 26	5,567 10
Mothers' Jewels Home.....					1,200 00				2,061 10	405 80	4,969 58	205 96
Watts De Peyster Home.....	1,600 00				3,600 00		2,299 26	144 45	2,444 00	193 43	7,960 36	550 25
Glenn Home.....									2,444 00	193 43	2,444 00	193 43
Marcy Home.....					2,400 00	1,165 50			553 12	3,983 06	2,953 12	5,128 56
Lucy Webb Hayes School.....	3,240 00				5,600 00		3,249 09	322 24	512 50	740 86	12,061 59	1,063 10
Fisk Training School.....					3,300 00		1,175 12	661 90	80 50	411 25	4,553 62	1,013 15
Swedish (Susanah Wesley Home, Chicago)					118 10	450 26			39 90	4,570 94	4,847 41	4,570 94
San Francisco Train'g School	1,999 99				2,600 00		207 52		128 66	9,930 05	1,113 46	10,444 37
Cunningham Orphanage.....					498 00	514 22	486 80		1,984 75	295 91	2,704 75	295 91
Bancroft Rest Home.....	720 00				5 50				15 00		5 50	
Thompson Rest Home.....					4,353 14				175,976 28		4,353 14	175,976 28
Deaconess Homes.....									459 00		459 00	
Permanent Deaconess Fund.												
Conference Work.....					79 41	10 50					79 41	3,643 32
Frontier Work.....						3,182 19						5,182 19
Contingent Fund.....												
Totals.....	\$52,850 69		\$5,134 42		\$40,644 48	21,718 56	\$36,708 62	7,078 00	\$51,602 06	\$208,880 95	\$188,940 27	\$238,477 51

EXPENDITURES, YEAR 1908-9.

	Salary.	GENERAL.		TOTALS.	
		Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.
Administration—					
Secretaries:					
Bureau		\$ 1,652 93			
Corresponding	\$1,000 02				
Field	999 97	546 69			
Recording	500 00	40 00			
Treasurer	500 00				
Deaconess Bureau		897 25			
Total, Secretaries				\$6,136 86	
Organizers		5,941 35	\$1,229 40	5,941 35	\$1,229 40
Printing		3,445 80		3,445 80	
Insurance		2,042 14		2,042 14	
Annual Meeting		1,766 13		1,766 13	
Miscellaneous		3,380 19	538 87	3,380 19	538 87
Offices:					
Boston	225 00	125 04			
Chicago	540 00	595 80			
Cincinnati	1,150 00	625 50			
Delaware	600 00	200 00			
Detroit	600 00	447 54			
Publishing	1,925 04				
New York	1,970 02	1,142 18			
Treasurer	730 00	80 20			
Total, Offices				\$10,956 32	
Interest on Notes and An-					
nualities		6,933 44		6,933 44	
Notes paid during the year		25,500 00		25,500 00	
Funds Invested		42,407 67		43,407 67	
Totals	\$10,740 05	\$97,769 85	\$1,768 27	\$108,509 90	\$1,768 27
Total Expenditures, by Cash and Vouchers				\$510,195 95	
Notes paid during the year					25,500 00
Cash balance, July 31, 1909					1,204 05

GENERAL SUMMARY.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the Year Ending July 31, 1909.

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance, August 1, 1908.....		\$379 58
<i>General Fund:</i> Cash	\$115,246 68	
Vouchers	6,961 25	
		122,207 93
Silver Offering	\$4,060 07	
<i>Student Aid:</i> Cash	49,717 07	
Vouchers	6,990 88	
		56,707 95
<i>Special Fund:</i> Cash	\$51,246 90	
Vouchers	226,293 65	
		277,540 55
<i>Annuities:</i> Cash		5,742 90
<i>Bequests:</i> Cash		8,372 48
" Adela E. Clough		8,450 00
" Adela E. Clough, Notes, Trust Deeds, and Interest		24,888 54
Endowments		2,500 00
From Sale of Bonds		6,000 00
		516,850 00
Cash borrowed		20,050 00
		\$536,900 00

EXPENDITURES.

<i>General Fund:</i>		
Salaries and Expenses of Homes: Cash.....	\$93,495 17	
Vouchers	21,718 56	
		\$115,213 73
Carrying on the Work: Cash.....	\$40,602 23	
Vouchers	1,768 27	
		42,370 50
Travel of Teachers and Missionaries.....		5,134 42
<i>Student Aid:</i> Cash	\$36,708 62	
Vouchers	7,078 00	
		43,786 62
<i>Special Fund:</i> Cash	\$51,602 26	
Vouchers	209,680 95	
		261,283 01
Funds invested		42,407 67
Total Expenditures		\$510,195 95
Cash balance, July 31, 1909.....		1,204 05
Notes paid during the year.....		25,500 00
		\$536,900 00
Totals		\$536,900 00

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Receipts from all sources, 1908-1909:

Cash and Cash Vouchers, through General Treasury....	\$516,850 00
Cash borrowed	20,050 00
Value of supplies, frontier and local.....	75,545 17
Totals	\$612,445 17

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

Assets:

Estimated Value of Buildings and Grounds:

Southern States	\$241,250 00
Utah	51,600 00
New Mexico and Oklahoma.....	28,200 00
Indian and Other Real Estate (including Alaska)	20,775 00
Pacific Coast (including Honolulu)....	43,000 00
Porto Rico	19,000 00
Children's Homes	99,450 00
City Missions	235,575 00
Training-schools, Homes, and Hospitals for Missionaries and Deaconesses..	1,175,390 50

\$1,914,240 50

Endowment Funds Invested:

Browning Home	\$11,877 01
Sibley Hospital	1,000 00
Watts De Peyster	200 00
Mothers' Jewels Home	33,338 54
Deaconess Homes	14,300 00

60,715 55

Delaware Savings Bank Co. (special deposit)	\$884 98
Adams Express Co. (7 shares and one \$1,000 Gold Bond)	2,575 00
Columbus Gas & Fuel Co. (20 pref., 10 com.)	2,000 00
Ohio Building & Loan Co. (20 shares with interest)	1,461 95
Northern Colorado Coal Co.	1,000 00
Cash balance in Treasury.....	1,204 05

9,125 98

Total assets

\$1,984,082 03

Liabilities:

Bills Payable (notes owned by the Society) .	\$49,030 07
Endowment Funds	16,564 40
Debt on Deaconess Property	107,006 04

Total Liabilities **\$172,600 51**

ANNUITY FUNDS RECEIVED DURING YEAR 1908-1909.

On which semi-annual interest is paid.

Previously reported, as per list.....	\$65,593 60
Misses Tompkinson, Harrisburg, Pa.....	1,000 00
Katherine B. Hopkins, Mason, Mich.	250 00
Mrs. Lorana G. Steward, Santa Ana, Cal.....	500 00
Miss Mary E. Thorne, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.....	2,000 00
Miss Mary Hunnings, Bellevue, Pa.....	500 00

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Laura Taubman, Maquoketa, Iowa.....	500 00
Isaac E. Springer, Ann Arbor, Mich.....	379 00
A Friend	613 90

	\$71,336 50
Annuitants died during the year.....	100 00

\$71,236 50

BEQUESTS RECEIVED DURING YEAR.

Mrs. Sarah M. Y. Whetstone, Cincinnati Conference.....	\$3,687 62
Estate Jas. Jacokes	476 25
Mrs. Sarah Durham, Rock River Conference.....	500 00
Norman A. Howe, Oregon Conference	200 00
Wm. S. Calkins, Michigan Conference.....	425 00
Elsie Conrad, New York East Conference	500 00
Alice Chipman, Michigan Conference.....	75 00
Mary L. Hinds, New England Conference.....	958 61
Mrs. John Vincent, Indiana Conference.....	300 00
Orpha S. Munger, Central Illinois Conference.....	100 00
Lydia A. Fulton, New Hampshire Conference.....	200 00
Estate Harriet D. Talmage, Newark Conference.....	950 00

	\$8,372 48
Adelia E. Clough, Denver, Col. Cash.....	8,450 00
Adelia E. Clough (Notes, Trust Deeds, and Interest).....	24,888 54

ENDOWMENT FUND.

	\$41,711 02
Previously reported	\$37,640 57
Hannah D. F. Ring, New York.....	2,000 00
Mary E. Haney, Monmouth, Ill.	500 00

\$40,140 57

FINANCIAL REPORT OF DEACONESS HOMES.

* For Rest Homes only. One-half of receipts, disbursements and balances in bank are reported, with the exception of Wing Rest Home, which is Deaconess property.

† Figures incorrectly reported last year.

‡ Balance in bank does not agree with last report.

§ Receipts and disbursements reported with Los Angeles Deaconess Home.

** Receipts and disbursements reported with E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home.

†† Receipts and disbursements reported with the San Francisco Deaconess Home.

Aldrich Memorial:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$2,596 00
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	7,212 22
	\$9,808 22
Disbursements	9,006 92
Balance, 1909	\$801 30

Baltimore:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$982 71
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	4,416 27
(Bequest \$63.50, included.)	
	\$5,398 98
Disbursements	4,155 03
Balance, 1909	1,243 95

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*Bancroft Rest Home:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$307 94
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	2,923 92
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	\$3,231 86
Disbursements	2,940 12
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Balance, 1909	291 74

Bidwell:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$240 66
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	5,130 52
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	\$5,371 18
Disbursements	5,333 55
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Balance, 1909	37 63

Brooklyn:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$468 50
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	4,943 91
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	\$5,412 41
Disbursements	5,201 60
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Balance, 1909	210 81

*Caroline Rest Home:

***Receipts—Balance, 1908	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	
Disbursements	
Balance, 1909	

Cleveland:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$434 15
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	13,951 20
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(Bequest \$6,800, included).....	\$14,385 35
Disbursements	13,821 92
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Balance	563 43

†Colorado Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1909	\$60 40
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	3,398 16
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(Building Fund \$602.25, included).....	\$3,458 56
Disbursements	3,274 43
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Balance, 1909	184 13

***No report given. Property sold.

†*Colorado Springs Sanatorium:*

Receipts—Balance, 1908 \$52 81
 Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources.. 8,384 45

\$8,437 26
 8,362 22

Disbursements

Balance, 1909

75 04

Cunningham:

Receipts—Balance, 1908 \$1,575 24
 Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources.. 6,867 88

\$8,443 12
 6,225 64

Disbursements

Balance, 1909

2,217 48

Davis:

Receipts—Balance, 1908 \$111 92
 Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources.. 1,536 25

\$1,648 17
 1,542 80

Disbursements

Balance, 1909

105 37

Detroit:

Receipts—Balance, 1908 \$1,007 39
 Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources.. 4,632 15

\$5,639 54
 5,504 77

Disbursements

Balance, 1909

134 77

Duluth Deaconess Home:

Receipts—Balance, 1908
 Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources.. \$981 20

869 28

Disbursements

Balance, 1909

111 92

Dwight W. Blakeslee Memorial:

Receipts—Balance, 1908 \$30 32
 Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources.. 1,874 01

\$1,904 33
 1,803 38

Disbursements

Balance, 1909

100 95

Ellen A. Burge Deaconess Hospital:

Receipts—Balance, 1908 \$134 28
 Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources.. 4,299 49

\$4,433 77
 4,307 76

Disbursements

Balance, 1909

126 01

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Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$121 32	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	21,397 27	
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	\$21,518 59	
Disbursements	19,356 94	
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Balance, 1909		2,161 65

**Elvira Olney Rest Home:*

†Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$111 72	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	486 33	
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	\$598 05	
Disbursements	461 60	
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Balance, 1909		136 45

Genesee Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$9,578 67	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	9,917 45	
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	\$19,496 12	
Disbursements	13,676 85	
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Balance, 1909		5,819 27

†Graham Protestant Hospital:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$302 51	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	8,422 29	
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	\$8,724 80	
Disbursements	8,081 16	
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Balance, 1909		643 64

Holloway:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$371 21	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	1,768 77	
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	\$2,139 98	
Disbursements	2,053 72	
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Balance, 1909		86 26

Jersey City:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$60 08	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources (Bequest of \$250.50 included)	2,096 65	
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	\$2,156 73	
Disbursements	2,021 61	
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Balance, 1909		135 12

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Kansas City National Training-school:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$471 21	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources (Bequest of \$2,000 included)	10,005 32	
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	\$10,476 53	
Disbursements	10,436 24	
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Balance, 1909		40 29

*Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school and
Sibley Memorial Hospital:*

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$314 03	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	52,907 98	
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	\$53,222 01	
Disbursements	52,947 34	
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Balance, 1909		274 67

Maine Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1908'	\$61 93	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	1,259 87	
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	\$1,321 80	
Disbursements	1,256 18	
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Balance, 1909		65 62

†Newark, N. J.:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$302 50	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources (\$3,472.47 Build. Bequest included)	5,410 78	
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	\$5,713 28	
Disbursements	5,308 54	
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Balance		404 74

Ohio Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$75 72	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	3,018 16	
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	\$3,093 88	
Disbursements	2,948 50	
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Balance		145 38

*Open Door Mission and E. W. Griffin Deaconess
Home:*

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$126 37	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources (Bequest of \$75 included)	2,807 07	
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	\$2,933 44	
Disbursements	2,696 20	
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Balance, 1909		237 24

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Philadelphia, Pa.:

Receipts—Deficit, 1908	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	
(Bequest of \$3,500 included)	\$17,130 51
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	\$17,130 51
Disbursements (Deficit, 1908—\$109.35—included)	14,698 54
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Balance, 1909	2,431 97

Pittsburg, Pa.:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$897 47
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	3,443 54
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	\$4,341 01
Disbursements	3,672 89
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Balance, 1909	\$668 12

St. Paul, Minn.:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$17 10
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	2,265 20
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	\$2,282 30
Disbursements	2,253 29
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Balance, 1909	29 01

San Francisco National Training-school and Deaconess Home:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$162 88
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	9,694 86
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	\$9,857 74
Disbursements	9,126 03
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Balance, 1909	731 71

Shesler:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$370 21
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	2,935 44
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	\$3,305 65
Disbursements	3,235 52
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Balance, 1909	70 13

Southern California Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$254 73
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources ..	4,440 89
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	\$4,695 62
Disbursements	4,622 40
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Balance, 1909	73 22

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Southwest Kansas Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$625 64	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	1,410 56	
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	\$2,036 20	
Disbursements	1,388 14	
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Balance, 1909		648 06

Stone Deaconess Home:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$1,036 14	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	1,383 62	
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	\$2,419 76	
Disbursements	2,419 76	
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**Thompson Rest Home:*

†Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$95 54	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	225 47	
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	\$321 01	
Disbursements	250 63	
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Balance, 1909		70 38

Washington:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$85 70	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources (Bequest of \$157.78 included)	2,577 53	
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	\$2,663 23	
Disbursements	2,430 82	
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Balance, 1908		232 41

Wilmington Deaconess Home:

Receipts—Balance, 1908	\$384 13	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	967 61	
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	\$1,351 74	
Disbursements	1,118 86	
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Balance, 1909		232 88

§Wing Rest Home:

Receipts—		
Balance in treasuries		<hr/>
		\$21,542 75

STATIONS.

Atchison District, Kan.:

• Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00	
Disbursements	328 00	
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Altoona, Pa.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$576 90
Disbursements	576 90

Barre, Vt.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$330 00
Disbursements	330 00

¶Berkeley, Cal.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....
Disbursements .....	.....

Binghamton, N. Y.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$436 09
Disbursements	436 09

Boise City, Idaho:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00

***Burlington, Vt.:*

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....
Disbursements .....	.....

Chanute, Kan.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$55 00
Disbursements	55 00

Cincinnati, Ohio:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$120 00
Disbursements	120 00

East St. Louis, Ill.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources—	\$269 70
Disbursements	269 70

Ellsworth, Kan.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$200 00
Disbursements	200 00

Erie, Pa.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$363 63
Disbursements	363 63

Erie Conference:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00

¶Eugene, Ore.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....
Disbursements .....	.....

Grant City, Mo.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$150 00
Disbursements	150 00

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Hazleton, Pa.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$730 74
Disbursements	730 74

Indianapolis, Ind.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$270 00
Disbursements	270 00

Iowa Conference:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....
Disbursements .....	.....

Kansas City, Mo.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$200 00
Disbursements	200 00

Lexington, Ky.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$270 00
Disbursements	270 00

McPherson, Kan.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00

Mt. Carmel, Pa.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$391 19
Disbursements	391 19

Mt. Vernon, Ill.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$623 24
Disbursements	623 24

Moberly, Mo.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$325 00
Disbursements	325 00

Moundsville, W. Va.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$111 57
Disbursements	111 57

Newton, Kan.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00

Norfolk, Neb.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$204 00
Disbursements	204 00

Norton, Kan.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$200 00
Disbursements	200 00

Ogden, Utah:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00

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Pasadena, Cal.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..
Disbursements
Pittsburg, Kan.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$307 20
Disbursements	307 20
Portland, Ore.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$656 00
Disbursements	656 00
St. Johnsbury, Vt.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00
Sacramento, Cal.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	..... ..
Disbursements .....	..... ..
San Jose, Cal.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	..... ..
Disbursements .....	..... ..
Salina, Kan.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$164 00
Disbursements	164 00
South Kansas Conference:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$150 00
Disbursements	150 00
Superior, Wis.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00
Tacoma, Wash.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00
Tulsa, Okla.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$245 00
Disbursements	245 00
Utica, N. Y.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00
Wellington, Kan. (S. W. Kan. Conference):	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$328 00
Disbursements	328 00
Wilkesbarre, Pa.:	
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$710 00
Disbursements	710 00

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Deaconesses not in Regular Stations:

Receipts—W. H. M. S.....	\$1,046 76
Disbursements	1,046 76

COLORED DEACONESS STATIONS.

Marshall, Texas:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$190 53
Disbursements	190 53

Montclair, N. J.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$146 00
Disbursements	146 00

Newark, N. J.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$129 09
Disbursements	129 09

St. Louis, Mo.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	\$215 00
Disbursements	215 00

Total receipts of Deaconess Homes.....	\$260,353 93
Total disbursements of Deaconess Homes.....	238,811 18
Balance in treasuries.....	21,542 75

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Auditing respectfully report that they looked over the books, accounts, and securities of the Treasurer's office in Cincinnati for the year ending August 1, 1909, and examined the same in detail. The books are well and faithfully kept, and found to be accurate in their showing of the business that passed through this office.

The various items of income and expenditures have been compared with the books and found to be correct.

MRS. WM. A. GOODMAN, JR.,
MRS. JOHN M. PATTISON,
RICHARD DYMOND,
GEO. B. JOHNSON,

Committee.

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CONSTITUTED DURING THE YEAR.

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| Mrs. E. O. Buxton.

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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
Woman's Home Missionary Society
OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1909.
WITH VERBAL CHANGES, AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGERS IN
NEW YORK CITY, NOVEMBER, 1901.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be known as the "Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

ARTICLE II.—OBJECTS.

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute in all sections of our country, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational, missionary, and deaconess work.

ARTICLE III.—ORGANIZATION.

Section 1. This Society shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio. The headquarters and principal offices of the Society shall be in the city of Cincinnati. The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Managers (twenty-one in all), who together shall constitute the Board of Trustees. There shall also be seven Associate Managers, who, with the Secretaries of Bureaus, shall be entitled to sit with the Board of Trustees and participate in its deliberations.

Sec. 2. Vacancies in the Board of Trustees occurring *ad interim* shall be filled by the Board.

Sec. 3. The regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held in November, February, May, and September. Special meetings may be held at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and eleven shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 4. The duties of the Board of Trustees shall be:

- (1) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.
- (2) To determine all matters referred to it by the Board of Managers.
- (3) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

Sec. 5. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided. The Board of Managers shall consist of the Board of Trustees and such of the following persons as shall be in attendance at the Annual Meeting, viz.: The Associate Managers, the President Emeritus, the Secretaries of Bureaus, the General Organizers, the Chairmen of Standing Committees appointed or confirmed by the Society at its Annual Meeting, the Editor and Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions*, the Editor of *Children's Home Missions*, the Editor of the Annual Report, and the Corresponding Secretary of and one delegate from each Conference Society. Also one delegate representing Young People's Work from each Conference Society having ten or more Young People's organizations.

Sec. 6. The work of the Annual Meeting shall be:

- (1) To elect the officers of the Society and the Associate Managers as indicated in Section 1.
- (2) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society, to receive the reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, of Secretaries of Bureaus, of Conference Secretaries, and Standing Committees, to determine the fields of labor, to estimate the needs of the various fields, and to make appropriations for the ensuing year.
- (3) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all its plans and estimates be in harmony with the Constitution.

Sec. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

Sec. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission fields, to correspond with the Bureau and Conference Secretaries, and to secure from them such details of their work as will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Board of Trustees, and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission fields.

Sec. 9. The Treasurer shall keep an account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society and make a report of the same at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, and at each regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. She shall pay the appropriations made by the Board of Managers, and such bills as the Board of Trustees may approve. The accounts shall be audited by a Committee elected by ballot at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IV.—CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION.

Section 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board. It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

Sec. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary (who may also be Treasurer), a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and Secretaries of such departments as the Conference may adopt. These officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society, and hold office till others are chosen. The Conference Officers, together with the President, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer of the districts, and District

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Secretaries of Young People's Work, shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. The Bureau Secretaries residing within the bounds of a Conference shall be *ex-officio* members of the Conference Executive Board.

Sec. 3. The duties of the Executive Board of the Conference Society shall be: To plan for the establishment and growth of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange Anniversary exercises; to transact any other business that the interest of the Society may demand, provided its action be in harmony with this Constitution.

Sec. 4. (1) The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary and other officers in organizing and conducting the work.

(2) The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to create interest in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference; to conduct the correspondence of the Society; to forward quarterly to the General Corresponding Secretary a statement of the work of the Conference Society (as per blank provided); and to present an annual report to the Board of Managers at its Annual Meeting.

(3) The duty of the Treasurer shall be to receive and to forward quarterly to the General Treasurer the funds of the Society.

(4) Special Work. Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the Board of Trustees, raise special funds for the purchase of property, for the building or care of Homes, for the support of teachers, deaconesses, or pupils in the schools or Homes of the Society.

ARTICLE V.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society Auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate for every twenty members to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society, provided that each Auxiliary shall have one delegate.

ARTICLE VI.—MEMBERSHIP.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership in the Society, and the payment of twenty dollars life membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life.

ARTICLE VII.—RELATION TO OTHER BRANCHES OF CHURCH WORK.

Section 1. This Society shall engage in educational, missionary, and deaconess labor, exclusively in our own land, and shall work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

The missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society, and if in a mission shall be subject to the same rules and regulations that govern the other missionaries in that particular mission.

Sec. 2. The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall

not be raised by collection, nor by subscriptions taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the Treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections, and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

Sec. 3. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the ensuing year, shall be so arranged that its fields of labor, its general plans of work, and its appropriations may be submitted to the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church for approval at its Annual Meeting in November.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution, except Article VII, may be amended by the Board of Managers at its Annual Meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, three months' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in *Woman's Home Missions*.

Amendments to Article VII may be proposed as above, but to become effective must be approved by the General Conference.

BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I.

ANNUAL MEETING.

1. A committee of five, appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting, which shall occur on the third Wednesday of October. The place of the meeting shall be fixed at the previous meeting of the Board of Managers; if not provided for, it shall be determined by this Committee, who shall announce the time and place in the Church papers.

2. All officers of the Society shall be nominated by ballot, and elected by ballot in open session.

3. Honorary Vice-Presidents shall be elected by acclamation by the Board of Managers on nomination by the Board of Trustees. They shall be entitled to all privileges of the body except the vote.

4. The Editor and Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions* and of *Children's Home Missions* shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees and elected by the Board of Managers.

5. General Organizers shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees and elected by the Board of Managers.

6. There shall be the following Standing Committees: On Mothers' Jewels Home, Glenn Home, Marcy Home, Watts de Peyster Home, the several Deaconess Homes, on Rest Homes; Japanese Work on the Pacific Coast and in the Hawaii Islands; and on Publication, Mite-boxes, and

Day of Humiliation and Prayer; the Committees on Homes named, except Rest Homes, shall be nominated by their respective local Boards, and confirmed by the Board of Managers; the Committee on Rest Homes, Japanese Work on the Pacific Coast and in the Hawaii Islands, on Literature, on Day of Humiliation and Prayer, and on Temperance, shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

7. The appropriations of the Society shall be made by the General Board of Managers, acting as a Committee of the Whole.

II.

BUREAUS.

1. The mission fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretary of the Bureau, and elected by the Board of Trustees. The Bureau for Young People's Work shall consist of two Associate Secretaries (one to supervise Young Women's Auxiliaries and Home Mission Circles, the other to supervise Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels), one or more Field Secretaries, and such assistants as are nominated by the Secretaries of the Bureau and elected by the Board of Trustees.

2. Each Bureau shall have the responsibility, in its own field, of executing the plans and applying the funds as ordered by the General Board of Managers, and supervised by the Board of Trustees.

3. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to supervise the work, secure conformity to the rules for mission work approved by the General Board of Managers, and report quarterly or oftener to the Board of Trustees.

4. The Bureaus shall be: (1) Georgia; (2) Florida; (3) East Central States; (4) West Central States; (5) Mississippi; (6) West Southern States; (7) Texas; (8) White Work in the South; (9) Utah; (10) New Mexico; (11) Arizona (Spanish); (12) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (13) Pacific Coast Indian Bureau; (14) Alaska; (15) Immigrants; (16) Eastern Deaconess; (17) Central Deaconess; (18) Western Deaconess; (19) Pacific Coast Deaconess; (20) Bureau for the Supervision of Colored Deaconesses; (21) Chinese Work; (22) Japanese and Korean Work; (23) Porto Rico; (24) Spanish Work on the Pacific Coast; (25) Mission Supplies; (26) Department of Young People's Work and Department of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels; (27) Home Missionary Reading Circle; (28) Systematic Beneficence.

5. The Bureau for Georgia shall supervise the work of the Society in the State of Georgia, and the Bureau for Florida in the State of Florida.

6. The Bureau for the East Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in West North Carolina and South Carolina.

7. The Bureau for the West Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in East North Carolina and Tennessee.

8. The Bureau for Mississippi shall supervise the work of the Society in that State.

9. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall supervise the work of the Society in Louisiana and Arkansas.

10. The Bureau for White Work in the South shall supervise all white work in the South not otherwise provided for.

11. The Bureaus for Texas, Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), and Alaska shall supervise the work of the Society in these States and Territories respectively.

12. The Pacific Coast Indian Bureau shall supervise the work of the Society at Stickney Home, Ukiah, and at Yuma Missions.

13. The Bureau for Immigrants shall supervise the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for immigrant women and girls, in connection with the Atlantic ports of entry.

14. The Bureau for Chinese Work shall supervise the work of the Society among the Chinese.

15. The Bureau for Japanese and Korean Work shall supervise the work of the Society among the Japanese and Koreans on the Pacific Coast and Hawaii.

16. The Bureau for Porto Rico shall supervise the work of the Society in the Porto Rican mission field.

17. The Bureau for Spanish Work on the Pacific Coast shall supervise the work of the Society for the Spanish people on that coast.

18. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall supervise the collection and distribution of clothing, literature, and such other supplies as may be helpful to ministers' families, Sunday-schools, and the Industrial Schools of the Society.

19. Local missionary work, for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Auxiliaries and Churches furnishing supplies to meet the needs of missionary work recognized by the Woman's Home Missionary Society may be credited for the same through the Bureau for Supplies.

20. It shall be the duty of the Department of Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Home Missions among young people; to organize Young Women's Auxiliaries and Queen Esther Circles. It shall be the duty of the Department of Home Guards to organize Home Guards, and to secure the enlistment of Mothers' Jewels.

21. The funds used for the support of city mission work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

22. The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle shall co-operate with the Secretary of Literature in the supervision and preparation of courses of missionary reading, and the organization of Reading Circles. Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts.

23. The duty of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence shall be to promote systematic giving by the preparation and circulation of literature, and such other efforts as are adapted to secure this end.

24. All Secretaries of Bureaus shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees, and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

DEPARTMENT OF DEACONESS WORK.

25. All Deaconess Institutions under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be associated together in a Department of Deaconess Work.

(a.) This department shall consist of a General Superintendent, a Field Secretary, a Standing Committee on National Training-schools, and Five Bureaus; the Bureaus to be known as the Eastern, Central, Western, Pacific Coast, and Bureau for the supervision of Colored Deaconesses.

(b.) The Executive Committee of the Department shall consist of a General Superintendent and a Field Secretary; the Committee on National Training-schools; the Secretaries of the several Deaconess Bureaus, together with two representatives from the Executive Committee of each Deaconess Institution.

(c.) The duty of the Executive Committee shall be the establishment and general supervision of all Training-schools and Deaconess Institutions under the auspices of the Society.

(d.) The Standing Committee on Training-schools shall supervise the National Training-schools and such Deaconesses of the other Training-schools as are engaged in the general work of the Society.

(e.) The Eastern Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and Stations, except Training-schools, east of the Genesee, Pittsburg, and West Virginia Conferences.

(f.) The Central Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and stations, except Training-schools, in the Genesee, Pittsburg, and West Virginia Conferences and as far west as the eastern boundary of Illinois.

(g.) The Western Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and stations, except Training-schools, situated between the eastern boundary of Illinois and the western boundary of Colorado.

(h.) The Pacific Coast Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and Stations, except Training-schools, west of Utah.

(i.) The Bureau for the Supervision of Colored Deaconesses shall include all Deaconess Work among colored people.

(j.) The Deaconess Work in Utah shall be under the supervision of the Utah Bureau.

(k.) The appointment of deaconesses to their fields of labor shall be made by the General Superintendent and Chairman of Training-schools Committee.

(l.) The Board of Management of each Home shall report semi-annually on dates corresponding to the division of the fiscal year of the Society to the Secretary of the Bureau. The Secretary of the Bureau shall report annually to the General Superintendent.

(m.) Auxiliaries in cities and towns where such Deaconess Homes are located as are authorized to send a delegate to the General Board of Managers shall be entitled to half the membership dues, which amount shall be returned to the Conference Treasurer.

(n.) No promise of life support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient consecutive service as deaconesses, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the eight years of service not to include the two years of training.

(o.) Any such deaconess may be admitted to a Rest Home on the payment for her of \$200 by the Home of which she has been a member, or by herself, or by her friends.

(p.) No promise of life support shall be made to those who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter a Rest Home.

(q.) There shall be a Standing Committee for the purpose of creating and enlarging the Permanent Deaconess Fund.

(r.) The Board of Management of such Deaconess Home as receives support from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, on approval of the General Board of Managers, shall become a Standing Committee for its management, and shall be entitled to a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

(s.) We recommend that the rules of the several Homes, as to support of deaconesses, term of service, costume, age, or admission and support of disabled workers, shall be as nearly as possible uniform, and that the allowance for incidentals, for clothing, etc., for a licensed deaconess shall be eight dollars a month; all questions pertaining to the general interests of deaconess work being in each Conference finally placed, as by the Discipline, under the control of the Conference Board of Nine.

(t.) Any person receiving aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society in securing training at the Training-schools of the Society shall receive this money as a loan, which obligation shall be satisfied by a term of service in the Society of not less than two years' service for one year's training, nor less than four years' service for two years' training, or return the money to the Society as soon as practicable.

(u.) The Superintendent of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be a member of the Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Conference in which that Home is located.

(v.) The deaconesses of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society may select, annually, one of their own number who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to represent them at the meetings of the Conference Society.

TRAINING-SCHOOLS.

26. (a.) The governing body of the National Training-schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be: The Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, but the Board shall act through its Committee on National Training-schools, aided by the President of each school and his local Board of Directors.

(b.) The Presidents of the National Training-schools shall be nominated by the Committee on National Training-schools and elected by the Board of Trustees.

(c.) The Board of Trustees shall elect annually the teachers for each school. Nominations for the consideration of the Board of Trustees shall be made at the regular meetings in March of each year by the President and local Board of Directors of each school, and at the April meeting of the Board of Trustees by the Chairman of the Committee on National Training-schools. In electing teachers, however, the Trustees shall not be confined to the nominations so made.

(d.) The President of each school, with the advice of his local Board of Directors, shall have the responsibility of the internal management and discipline of the school, and the recommendation of pupils for graduation in the various courses of instruction.

(e.) The Committee on National Training-schools, together with the President, shall determine the Course of Study, text-books, and standard of admission and graduation.

(Numbers *a* and *b* apply equally to all departments of the Training-schools.)

*(f) The local Board of Directors at Washington shall consist of five groups of three members each—fifteen in all—of which five shall be men and ten women. The term of office of each group is to be five years. At the regular monthly meeting in March the local Board of Directors shall nominate twice the number of persons required to fill vacancies which shall occur by expiration of the term of office or by other causes from which the Board of Trustees will choose a sufficient number to fill vacancies. Vacancies occurring during the year may be filled by the local Board of Directors until the end of the current year.

(g.) The local Board of Directors shall authorize the purchase of supplies for the table, fuel, and household expenses, including repairs and incidentals. Bills in all the departments shall be kept within the annual

*Number *f* relates to the local Executive Committees which are elected in a different way at each of the Training-schools to the degree that the local work is identified with the national work.

appropriations made by the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Any expenditure involving more than \$500 shall first be referred to the National Training-school Committee.

(h.) All bills shall be audited by a committee of three appointed by the local Board of Directors, and a copy of such audit shall be filed with the Auditor of the National Training-schools Committee, who, by virtue of his office, shall be a member of the local Board of Directors of each Training-school with voice and vote.

(i.) The local Board of Directors, at their meeting in December, may elect one of their number, who, with the President of the School, shall be delegate with voice and vote to the meeting of the National Training-school Committee in January and May.

(j.) These By-laws relating to Training-schools may be changed at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. The recommendations for changes in or additions to these By-laws may be made at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees by the Committee on National Training-schools and by the President and local Board of Directors of the respective schools.

(k.) Actions of the Committee on National Training-schools taken at the semi-annual meetings of the Committee are not subject to changes save by the Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

(l.) All questions relating to or in any wise affecting real estate belonging to this Corporation shall be determined only by the Board of Trustees of this Society, or by such Committee as it may appoint for this purpose.

III.

FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 31st of July.

2. **AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports, as specified in By-laws for Auxiliaries, 4 and 5, September 15th, December 15th, March 15th, and June 15th.

3. **CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports as prescribed in the Constitution, Article IV, sections 3 and 4, October 15th, January 15th, April 15th, and July 15th.

4. **BOARD OF TRUSTEES.**—The Corresponding Secretary shall furnish the reports specified in the Constitution, Article III, Section 8, as soon as possible after the 15th of October, January, April, and July.

5. The funds of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, must be sent by the Auxiliaries to the Conference Treasurer, and thence forwarded to the General Treasurer, and whenever held by either of these officers shall be deposited in a banking institution in the name of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money to be expended for missionary supplies for frontier or Southern work must in all cases be raised as a special fund for this work.

6. Moneys shall not be collected by the employees of the Society for any special purpose, unless such collection is authorized by the Board of Trustees, and the purpose approved; and moneys so collected shall be paid into the General Treasury, and be regularly appropriated therefrom.

7. All missionaries, Superintendents of Industrial Schools, and teachers in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board of Trustees, through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus (not later than September 10th of each year), carefully prepared estimates for their work for the coming year.

8. Each Conference Corresponding Secretary is requested to come to the meeting of the General Board of Managers prepared to say what special work her Conference will support for the coming year.

9. No officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society, shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work (other than local work within its own territory) without the approval of the Board of Trustees of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and Recording Secretary of said Board.

10. The erection of buildings shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the general treasury of this Society, or fully provided for, nor until the erection of said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same, shall have been approved by the Board of Trustees of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

11. The President and Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall be empowered to sign all deeds and contracts for the Society. The Treasurer shall be empowered to sign all notes of the Society.

IV.

BUILDINGS AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of the Bureau having charge of the work, which shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and accept the work, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and Schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. At the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers and assistants, shall be employed by the Board of Trustees and paid by order of the Society.

4. All the employees of the Board shall make, directly or through their Superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work as per blank provided, sending one copy to the General Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. It shall be the aim in our Industrial Schools to provide: (1) Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house, and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4) Instruction in dressmaking and cutting, making and mending plain garments or ordinary wearing apparel; (5) Tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6) Kindergarten and kitchen garden training; (7) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

V.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

1. There shall be a Committee on Literature consisting of the General Corresponding Secretary of the Society, the Editor of *Woman's Home Missions*, the Editor of Publications, and the Secretary of Literature.

2. This Committee shall secure and furnish information relating to the various Bureaus and mission fields in the form of Books, Booklets, and Leaflets, upon application send such information out for use in Conference, District, and Auxiliary meetings as will aid in the dissemination of Home Missionary intelligence. All leaflets, booklets, etc., bearing the imprint of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the bills for printing which are to be paid from the treasury, shall receive the approval of the Committee on Literature before being put to press.

3. The Recording Secretary shall give to the public, through the Church papers, a condensed report of such proceedings of each meeting of the Board of Trustees as will be of interest to the Society or to the general public.

VI.

MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

I. Persons who offer themselves for employment by the Society must give satisfactory answers to the following questions:

(1) Do you feel that you are moved by the love of souls and the providence of God to take upon you the work of a Home missionary?

(2) Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord?

(3) Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church as set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?

(4) When and where were you born?

(5) What are your domestic relations and obligations?

(6) Have you a thorough English education?

(7) In what schools have you taught, and how long?

(8) Have you knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?

(9) Can you cut and fit dresses and teach sewing and millinery?

(10) Are you able to give instruction in housekeeping, including cooking?

(11) Have you had experience in the care of the sick?

II. (1) The candidates must furnish satisfactory testimonials to the following facts: (1) Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church; (2) Christian zeal for the salvation of souls; (3) Good health; (4) Educational fitness; (5) Ability to give instruction in the common domestic industries; (6) Aptness to teach.

(2) Each candidate is requested to write a letter giving a brief sketch of her life and her call to the work, which, with her photograph, is to be sent with her testimonials.

(3) The testimonials of a missionary candidate shall be considered and passed by her Conference Board before they are brought to the Committee on Missionary Candidates.

(4) When a candidate has been approved by the Board of Trustees, she may be appointed on nomination of a Bureau to a mission field.

(5) The Board of Trustees at its quarterly meeting in April shall make a special examination of the work of the missionaries during the past year, and appoint them for the coming year.

(6) A missionary shall receive her traveling expenses from her home to her field of labor; also her return expenses when she is recalled by the Board of Trustees; and her salary from the time of arrival in her field. This salary shall not exceed \$40 per month.

VII.

DEPARTMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Young women paying annual dues of \$1, with ten cents contingent fund, may be organized into Auxiliaries. Young people paying five cents a month (fifty cents annually for general and ten cents for contingent fund) may be organized into Queen Esther Circles, and may be under the supervision of an older person called a Director.

Conferences having ten or more Young People's organizations may elect a young woman as a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

VIII.

DEPARTMENT OF HOME GUARDS AND MOTHERS' JEWELS.

1. Young people under fourteen may be organized into Home Guards under the Constitution provided.
2. Children may be enrolled as Mothers' Jewels on the payment of ten cents annually.
3. The payment of \$10 shall constitute a Junior Life Membership for those fourteen years old or younger.

IX.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

[NOTE.—Under the laws of incorporation of the State of Ohio, a majority of the members of the body incorporated constitutes a quorum. Therefore eleven is the legal quorum of the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.]

1. The meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, due notice being given.
2. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member of the time and place of all meetings, regular and special.
3. The Board of Trustees shall organize by the election of a Chairman and the requisite Standing Committee at its first meeting next succeeding the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.
4. At the quarterly meetings written reports shall be presented by the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of the Bureaus, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.
5. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Business Committee of seven, to consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and three other members of the Board, with power

to transact business for the Board in the intervals of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. This Committee shall report its action at the regular meeting next succeeding such action.

6. Corresponding Secretaries of Conference Societies, in attendance upon any meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be entitled to a seat and the privilege of discussion.

7. The Order of Business and Rules of Debate shall be as follows: (1) Singing, reading of Scriptures, prayer; (2) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (3) Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretaries of the Bureaus, Standing Committees; (4) Reports of Special Committees; (5) Unfinished business; (6) Resolutions for discussion shall be presented in writing; (7) Ladies speaking shall rise and address the Chair.

8. There shall be the following Standing Committees: (1) Business; (2) Scholarships; (3) Missionary Candidates; (4) Annual Meeting; (5) Literature; (6) *Woman's Home Missions*; (7) Transportation; (8) Mite-boxes; (9) Bequest and Devise; (10) Insurance; (11) Thank-offering.

9. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, notice of the desired change having been given at the preceding meeting. They may be suspended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. The President and Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society shall call meetings of the Executive Board when the exigencies of the work demand it. This Executive Board shall determine the date and place of the Annual Meeting, and arrange for anniversary exercises, unless these items have been provided for by previous action at the Annual Meeting.

2. The program for the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society shall include reports from the Recording and Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, and the District Secretaries; the election of officers, of Standing Committees, of a delegate and alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, and of a delegate and alternate as provided in Section VII, No. 3, Young People's Work.

3. Order of business: (1) Devotional exercises; (2) Introduction of delegates; (3) Appointment of committees; (4) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (5) Report of Treasurer; (6) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (7) Reports of District Officers; (8) Report of Secretaries of Departments; (9) Reports of committees; (10) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (11) Election of officers.

4. Each District Secretary shall present a list of the full names of her delegation to the Recording Secretary.

5. The Standing Committees shall be appointed as follows: (1) Annual Meeting; (2) By-laws; (3) *Woman's Home Missions*.

6. The Committee on Anniversary shall consist of the President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Secretary of the District in which the meeting is to be held.

7. The four general officers, President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer, shall be nominated by informal ballot, and elected by ballot. Vacancies occurring in the Conference Board *ad interim* may be filled by the Executive Board of the Conference. No Conference Society shall be allowed to have salaried officers except the

Conference Organizer, and her salary shall be such as has been provided for by the By-laws of the Society.

8. Every Auxiliary Society and Young People's Society in the Conference shall be entitled to a delegate for each twenty members, and fraction thereof. Auxiliaries and Young People's Societies of less than twenty members shall be entitled to one delegate; also the Board of Management of a Deaconess Home or Mission Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be entitled to a delegate; these delegates, with the Executive Board, Secretaries of Departments, and Conference Organizers, shall constitute the Annual Meeting.

9. The duty of each District President shall be to have general supervision of the work in her District. She shall confer and co-operate with the Secretary in organizing and visiting the work; preside at the District meetings, and endeavor to secure the favor and aid of the District Superintendent and pastors. She shall report her work to the Secretary of the District.

10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries for Conference and District Annual Meetings. In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands.

11. There shall be a Supply Secretary, a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary for Young People's Work, a Secretary for Home Missionary Reading Circle, Secretary of Systematic Beneficence, Secretary of Literature, Secretary of Temperance, and such other Secretaries as the exigencies of the work demand, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board. Each Conference Society shall also select a Manager for National Training-schools.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in _____ on the _____ of each month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues, Honorary membership dues, or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Mite-box and Thank-offering funds raised under the auspices of the Society shall be devoted *only* to some department of the work of the Society.

15. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys and vouchers sent to the General Treasurer.

16. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute ten cents a member annually, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

17. As soon as practicable, each District shall be organized into an Association under the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees.

18. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work at camp-meetings held on the District. In case of their failure to do so, that duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

19. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods of organizing Auxiliaries and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

20. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direction and control of their respective Organizers.

21. In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists of traveling expense and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance.

22. The accounts of such Organizers shall be audited each month by an Auditing Committee, appointed by the Conference Board for this purpose, before sending bills to the General Treasurer.

23. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the Auxiliaries the — of —, after which all the moneys received shall be placed in the next year's account.

24. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

NOTE.—In Conferences where the interests of the work demand it, supplementary by-laws adapted to the local needs may be adopted by the Conference Annual Meeting, provided they do not conflict with the spirit of the Constitution.

CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

Article 1. This Association shall be known as the ——— District Association of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Art. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the District if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

Art. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society on the ——— District shall be a member of the Association.

Art. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Secretaries of departments as are necessary to the promotion of the work. These officers shall be nominated by informal ballot and elected by ballot.

Art. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th of September, of December, of March, and of June, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of October, January, April, and July. The Treasurer shall hold the Contingent Fund of the District, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

Art. 6. There shall be an Annual Meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the Association.

Art. 7. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

Article 1. This Society shall be called the Woman's Home Missionary Society of ———, Auxiliary to the ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of the needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

Art. 3. Any person paying one dollar per year and ten cents contingent fund may become a member of this Society, and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

Art. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretary of Literature, and such other Department Secretaries as may be thought advisable, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the Society.

Art. 5. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held ——— of each month. The Anniversary Meeting shall be on the ——— day of ———, when the Annual Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

Art. 6. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati. It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries, when no other person is appointed, to faithfully solicit subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society.

6. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Literature to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. She shall keep a file of *Woman's Home Missions*, *Children's Home Missions*, and the Annual Reports for reference; take and forward orders for the same. She shall keep a careful record and report regularly to the Auxiliary.

7. Order of exercises for monthly meetings: (1) Devotional exercises; (2) Reading and approval of minutes; (3) Reports from members

of work done; (4) Report of Treasurer, in writing; (5) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (6) Unfinished business; (7) Miscellaneous business;" (8) "Concert Lesson;" (9) Adjournment.

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of Three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the monthly and quarterly meetings.

10. There shall be a Contingent Fund provided either by the assessment of ten cents per member, or by a penny collection at the regular meetings, or by any other method devised by the Auxiliary.

11. Each woman connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans, and missionaries.

12. These By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

CONSTITUTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE I.

It shall be the duty of the Department of Young People's Work (1) To awaken and sustain interest among young people in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; (2) To organize Young Woman's Auxiliaries and Queen Esther Circles.

Young women paying annual dues of \$1, with ten cents Contingent Fund, may be organized into Auxiliaries. Young people paying five cents a month (fifty cents annually for general and ten cents for Contingent Fund) may be organized into Queen Esther Circles, and may be under the supervision of an older person called a Director.

Conferences having ten or more Young People's organizations may elect a young woman as a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE II.—LOCAL ORGANIZATION.

Section 1. This Society shall be called Young Woman's Auxiliary or Queen Esther Circle of Methodist Episcopal Church.

Sec. 2. The object of this organization shall be to interest young people in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to learn of the need for missionary work in our own country and what is being done to meet it, and to raise funds for such work.

Sec. 3. Any young person fourteen years of age or over, paying fifty cents dues per annum and ten cents Contingent Fund, may be a member of the Queen Esther Circle.

Any young person paying one dollar dues and ten cents Contingent Fund annually may be a member of the Young Woman's Auxiliary.

Any person paying one dollar per year dues may become an honorary member of either organization.

Sec. 4. The officers of these organizations shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, a Secretary of Literature, a Secretary of Supplies, a Secretary of Home Mission Reading Circles, and a Mite-box Secretary.

Sec. 5. Meetings of this Society shall be held aton the of each month. The Annual Meeting shall be held in June of each year, at which time reports shall be made and officers elected for the coming year.

Sec. 6. This Constitution may be changed only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

1. The President shall preside at the meetings of the Society, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President in her absence and shall seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct list of the members and records of the proceedings of the Society, and shall provide the pastor with notices of its meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Society, and send quarterly reports of its work to the District Secretary of Young People's Work, if there be one; if not, to the Conference Secretary of Young People's Work. If there be neither District nor Conference Secretary for this department, she shall send such reports to the Conference Corresponding Secretary. She shall also notify the same officers of changes in the officers of the Society.

5. The Treasurer shall have charge of all money of the Society. She shall collect membership dues, keep a book account thereof, and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer. Aside from dues, pledges, and mite-box money, a Contingent Fund shall also be provided for the Expenses of the Society.

6. The Vice-President and Director shall be members of the Program Committee, and other members may be added.

7. The Mite-box Secretary shall secure and distribute mite-boxes to members of the Society and to others, that thus interest may be created and the work helped. At a designated meeting, the mite-boxes shall be opened by a committee of which the Mite-box Secretary shall be Chairman. This committee shall report to the Society the amount of money collected, paying the same to the Treasurer, and shall also report to the District Mite-box Secretary.

8. The Secretary of Literature shall order the leaflets, periodicals, text-books, and other publications connected with the work of the Circle or Auxiliary. It is also her special duty to urge the securing and use of the same.

9. The Secretary of Reading Circles shall urge the organization of Reading Circles and Home Mission Study Classes aside from the regular meetings of the Society, in accordance with the plans made by the General Secretary of Reading Circles.

10. The Secretary of Supplies shall seek to arouse interest in this department by making the Society familiar with the needs and calls for such help on the frontier and from our homes and schools, as well as from local interests, such as Deaconess Work, that are under the control of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

11. The Society may give public literary and musical entertainments at which full reports may be made, thus arousing sympathy and interest in the Church for its work. Such entertainments, whatever the program, should always emphasize the thought and work of Home Missions.

12. Each member of the Society shall try to induce others to join, and shall do all in her power to make the greetings contribute to mental and spiritual growth.

13. Spiritual order of exercises for monthly meetings: Devotional service, reading of minutes, report (or statement) of Treasurer, report of Corresponding Secretary, discussion of plans of work, unfinished and miscellaneous business, program, adjournment.

14. These By-laws may be amended only at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

CONSTITUTION FOR HOME GUARDS.

Article 1. This organization shall be called the Home Guards of Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 2. The object of this organization is to interest the children and youth of the Church in missionary work in our own land, and to secure their help in carrying it forward.

Art. 3. The officers of this organization shall be a lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the organization; a President, four or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

Art. 4. Any child or young person, with consent of parents or guardians, may become a member of the Home Guards by paying yearly twenty-five cents as membership fee. The payment of \$2.50 shall constitute a life membership.

Art. 5. The Home Guards may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 6. The Home Guards may support a beneficiary, furnish mission supplies, or assist in any department of missionary work they may desire, provided the work chosen be approved by the Executive Board of the Conference Society, or the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

Art. 7. This organization may become a part of the Woman's Home Missionary Society by contributing to its work in its various fields, and all work done by them shall be under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money and vouchers must be sent through their Treasurer to the Conference Treasurer.

Art. 8. The annual meeting of the Home Guards for the election of officers shall be held on

Art. 9. This Constitution can be amended by the Board of Trustees of the General Society. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

BY-LAWS FOR HOME GUARDS.

1. The meetings of this organization shall be held on of every

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable music for the meetings.

3. The Vice-Presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their Societies, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.

4. Order of Exercises for Regular Meeting: (1) Devotional exercises; (2) Reading and approval of minutes; (3) Report of Treasurer; (4) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (5) Report of Home Guards; (6) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (7) Program; (8) Adjournment.

5. These By-laws may be amended with the consent of the Auxiliary with which the Society is connected.

CONSTITUTION FOR MOTHERS' JEWELS.

Article 1. This Society shall be called the Mothers' Jewels of Church.

Art. 2. The object of this Society is to help other children by working with the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 3. Any boy or girl ten years old or younger may join this Society by paying dues of ten cents a year. The payment of \$1 shall constitute a Mothers' Jewel Life Membership.

Art. 4. The Society shall be under the charge of an adult leader, and its officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Art. 5. The members of the Society shall raise money under the direction of their leader (in addition to paying the dues), to help take care of children in the various homes of our Society.

BY-LAWS FOR MOTHERS' JEWELS.

1. The time and place of meetings and the programs for the same shall be under the direction of the leader.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

BEQUEST—(*Personal Estate*)—*I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of..... and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same.*

DEVISE—(*Real Estate*)—*I give and devise to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say: to have and to hold or dispose of the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors, and assigns forever.*

NOTE.—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.

DONATION
\$1000.

ANNUITY
5%

**THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF
THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.**

CERTIFICATE OF ANNUITY.

(Insert donors name.)

(Insert Residence.)

..... of
having donated the sum of One Thousand Dollars to THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, subject, however, to the payment by said Society of an annuity of five per cent per annum on said sum for and during her natural life, which donation has been accepted, subject to the condition aforesaid; NOW, THEREFORE, said Society hereby agrees to pay said annuity to the order of said donor in semi-annual installments, being the sum of Twenty-five Dollars, payable on the first day of January, and a like sum of Twenty-five Dollars, payable on the first day of July of each and every year hereafter, so long as the said shall live; and after her death said Society shall not be subject to any payment on account of said donation.

This Society shall have the immediate right to use said donation for any of its purposes.

In Witness Whereof said Society has caused its corporate name to be hereunto subscribed and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed at the City of Cincinnati, by Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, its Treasurer, thereunto duly authorized, this day of one thousand nine hundred and

**THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
BY**

.....
TREASURER.

**CORPORATE
SEAL.**

NOTE.—Form of Annuity Certificate. The above form is for a donation of \$1,000, with annuity of five per cent. It can readily be changed either in amount or in the rate per cent, or in both, so as to comply with the facts and contract in each case.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST
EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The undersigned, a majority of whom are citizens of the State of Ohio, desiring to become incorporated under the laws of Ohio, in such cases made and provided, do hereby subscribe and acknowledge the following Articles of Incorporation:

First. The name of the corporation shall be "THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

Second. The said corporation shall be located at *Cincinnati*, Hamilton County, Ohio.

Third. The said corporation is not for profit, but is wholly benevolent and charitable.

Fourth. The purpose and objects of the corporation shall be to enlist and organize Christian women to labor in behalf of needy and destitute women and children in all parts of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Methodist Episcopal Church in educational and missionary work; to employ women to work in destitute localities; to instruct the ignorant and unfortunate in the practice of industry and economy; and in the principles of sanitary law and morality, and to establish schools and evangelistic agencies throughout the United States and Territories.

Thus done and certified at *Cincinnati, Ohio*, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1884.

ELIZA G. DAVIS,	[Seal.]
ELIZABETH RUST,	[Seal.]
E. J. FOWLER WILLING,	[Seal.]
M. E. AMPT,	[Seal.]
LOUISA HEMSETH.	[Seal.]

The State of Ohio, Hamilton County, ss.:

Be it remembered that on the 20th day of November, 1884, before me the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared *Eliza G. Davis, Elizabeth Rust, E. J. Fowler Willing, M. E. Ampt, and Louisa Hemeseth*, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing articles of incorporation, and severally acknowledged that they respectively signed and sealed the same as their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my Notarial Seal, the day and year last aforesaid.

{ SEAL. }

WM. J. T. WILSON,
Notary Public, Hamilton County, O.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The State of Ohio, County of Hamilton, ss.:

I, *Daniel J. Dalton*, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, a Court of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears of record in this office that *Wm. J. T. Wilson*, whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument, was at the time of taking such proof, or acknowledgment, a Notary Public in and for said County, duly commissioned and qualified, and duly authorized to administer oaths, to take acknowledgments of deeds, etc.

And further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of said *Wm. J. T. Wilson*, and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate, or proof of acknowledgment, is genuine. I further certify that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of this State.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of said Court, at Cincinnati, this 21st day of November, A. D. 1884.

Daniel J. Dalton, Clerk.

By Richard C. Rohner, Deputy.



(Certificate under Section 906, Revised Statutes of the United States.)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
STATE OF OHIO,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. }

I, *LEWIS C. LAYLIN*, Secretary of State of the State of Ohio, and being the officer who, under the Constitution and Laws of said State, is duly constituted the keeper of the record of articles of incorporation of all companies incorporated under the laws thereof, and the records of all papers relating to the creation of said incorporated companies, and empowered to authenticate exemplifications of the same, do hereby certify that the annexed instrument is an exemplified copy, carefully prepared by me with the original record now in my official custody as Secretary of State, and found to be true and correct, of the Articles of Incorporation of "THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH," filed in this office on the 22d day of November, A. D. 1884, and recorded in *Volume 31, Page 242*, of the *Records of Incorporations*; that said exemplification is in due form and made by me as the proper officer, and is entitled to have full faith and credit given it in every court and office within the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto attached my official signature and the Great Seal of the State of Ohio, at Columbus, this 1st day of March, A. D. 1902

LEWIS C. LAYLIN, Secretary of State.

[Signed.]

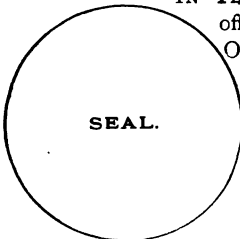


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